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WANTED—A good salesman for miners' outfitting, etc. Good reference. Apply 41 Yates street. ja7

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ANNUAL MEETINGS

Of the B. C. Fruit Exchange Society, B. C. Fruit Growers' and Horticultural Society, and Dairymen's Association, will be held in City Hall, New Westminster, as follows:—The B. C. Fruit Exchange on Wednesday, the 19th inst.; the B. C. Fruit Growers, on Thursday, the 20th inst.; Dairymen's Association, Friday, the 21st. Free return fares will be granted C.P.N. Co. on certificates of attendance, signed by either of the Secretaries being presented. The public is invited. ja7

To the Electors of North Ward

Ladies and Gentlemen:—

I am a candidate for re election as Alderman for the North Ward, and hope that those who approve of my course during the past year in the Council will use their best efforts to secure my election.

Respectfully Yours,
ja4 A. G. McCANDLESS.

I AM INSTRUCTED BY
A. R. MILNE, Esq., C.M.G.
Receiver of Wrecks, to sell at my salesrooms, Douglas street, Victoria, by Public Auction on
Thursday, 13th January, 1898
at 12 o'clock, noon, the wrecked American schooner
"Vesta"
as she now lies on the beach, about nine miles west of Carmanah Lighthouse, together with 2 anchors and chains, new and old sails, rigging and new hawser, etc. Also two sextants, and ship's compass, to be sold separately. Terms cash. W. T. HARDAKER, Auctioneer.

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New Advertisements continued on page Two.

NEWS OF THE CAPITAL.

Forced Holiday for Government Printers While Favorites in Toronto Do Public Work.

Spain Too Included in the Preferential Tariff—Mr. Blair's Railway Schemes.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

OTTAWA, Jan. 6.—After correspondence with the home government it has been decided to admit the products of Spain to the benefits of the reciprocal tariff up to the 31st of July next. The concession was made, not on the merits of the Spanish tariff, but on account of treaty arrangements between that country and Great Britain. The concession will apply on all importations of Spanish goods from the 23rd of April last.

Mr. Blair has not given up hopes of converting his Ontario colleagues to the project of purchasing the Canada Eastern Railway. Messrs. Blair, Davies and Fielding had a long conference with Sir Richard Cartwright this afternoon, when, it is understood, the matter was thoroughly gone into. Sir Richard is strongly opposed to acquiring the line.

Canadian goods for Klondyke will be allowed to pass through the disputed territory without paying customs charges under regulations soon to be put in force by the customs authorities at Dyea. The goods are to be entered at the customs at Dyea or Skagway on a list which will be checked by a United States officer at the frontier or possibly at Tagish. If the goods are found to correspond with the list they will then pass without further charge by the United States customs. The intention is on both sides to remove any unreasonable obstacle in the way of transferring goods.

To-day being Epiphany and a statutory holiday the public departments were closed. Despite the fact that the government organs are urging as a reason why Mr. Sifton was justified in giving the printing of important public documents to a Grit firm of publishers, that the printing bureau is loaded up with work, the institution was closed to-day, and over one hundred printers who are Protestants, were compelled to lay off with a corresponding reduction in pay.

It is reported that the protests of the Liberal and Conservative press against Mr. Sifton's Yukon report job has scared the minister and he is now pressing for better terms from the Toronto publishers.

The penitentiary wardens concluded their conference to-day.

Parliament opens four weeks from to-day.

The report that the government will cause an investigation to be made into the affairs of the Vancouver custom house is entirely without foundation.

KLONDYKE ON EVERY TONGUE.

Canada Well Advertised in Every Part of Europe.

MONTREAL, Jan. 6.—(Special)—C. J. McCuaig, who has just returned from England, says that the country has gone Klondyke mad, and he predicts an enormous increase in population in Canada during this year. A great many of the monied classes have been attracted to the Dominion as a field for investment and settling purposes, and a good deal of the immigration will be permanent. The same thing applies to a less extent to the continent of Europe, where Canada is on every tongue.

Archbishop Machray Ill.

MONTREAL, Jan. 6.—(Special)—A private cable from London announces that Archbishop Machray of Winnipeg, Primate of Canada, who has been in England for some months, is again very seriously ill. His condition is not reassuring and grave anxiety is felt.

Toronto Pioneer Dead.

TORONTO, Jan. 6.—(Special)—Thomas Mara, a very old resident of Toronto, died this morning aged 90. He had been in Toronto since 1832.

Minister for Klondyke.

WINNIPEG, Jan. 6.—(Special)—Rev. A. S. Grant, who has been appointed a Presbyterian minister to Klondyke, passed through the city yesterday on his way to Vancouver. Mr. Grant will go to Fort Selkirk if possible and organize a congregation, Rev. Mr. Dickie having decided to remain at Skagway.

Mr. Macintosh Coming.

WINNIPEG, Jan. 6.—(Special)—Ex-Lieut.-Governor Macintosh left Regina to-day with his family for Victoria, where they will reside in future.

Choice Styles Neck Ties, Fancy Shirts, Handk'fs Gloves, Braces at W. & J. Wilson's.

To Cure a Cold in One Day.

Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. 25 cents. x

SIX CENTS DAMAGES.

Jury's Assessment of the Harm Done by an Assailant of Anthony Comstock.

NEW YORK, Jan. 6.—A jury in the United States court to-day awarded Anthony Comstock a verdict of six cents in his suit for $50,000 damages brought against Dr. Montague Leverson. Mr. Comstock claimed that his character had been damaged to the extent claimed by the assertion publicly made by Dr. Leverson at the Albany depot: "Ladies and gentlemen: This man is Anthony Comstock, a notorious blackmailer, who never earned an honest dollar in his life."

THE BISHOP OF AFRICA.

He Has Been Received With Great Cordiality and Offered Large Tracts of Land.

NEW YORK, Jan. 6.—The correspondent of the Associated Press at Delagoa Bay writes that Bishop Hartzell, of the Methodist Episcopal church, was received with the greatest cordiality during his tour as Bishop of Africa. He has been offered concessions in lands and other valuable properties for missionary purposes. One donation includes 6,000 acres under the British flag in a mountainous and healthy region. The Bishop is at Delagoa Bay on his way to Baira, five hundred miles further north on the east coast, from which point he will go inland several hundred miles to locate his concession. His plan is to make this point a base of operations from which missions northward to the equatorial lake regions, and northwestward toward Angola on the west coast, from which a chain of Methodist missions are already being pushed eastward. The Bishop's wife accompanies him.

MAMMOTH STEAMERS.

Hamburg-American Line Order Another Huge Ocean Carrier.

NEW YORK, Jan 6.—According to a cable despatch just received, the Hamburg-American line has ordered a sister ship of the Pennsylvania and Pretoria, the largest carriers in the world. These ships are of 14,000 tons gross register and 23,500 tons displacement. The company has also contracted for two other steamers of 10,000 gross register tons each. These ships will be laid down at the yards of Blocheim and Vosa in Hamburg. There are besides, building for the Hamburg-American line at different yards in Germany and England, three steamers of 10,000 tons gross register each, one of 7,500 and two of 7,000 tons each. Upon completion of these ships the Hamburg-American line will have a tonnage of 338,400, gross register. The company has already a larger tonnage than any other line, ranking next in size being the Peninsular and Oriental Steam Navigation Company with 263,140 tons gross.

SEEKING RECIPROCITY.

Great Britain Would Make a Trade Arrangement Between the West Indies and United States.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 6.—There is reason to believe that Great Britain will again take the lead of other nations in the negotiation of reciprocity treaties under the Dingley tariff act. While other nations were lodging complaints against the terms of the act and of the very limited advantages offered by the reciprocity clauses, the British ambassador here has been at work quietly carrying on negotiations for a series of treaties extending the benefits of so much reciprocity as may be obtained under the act to the British possessions in the West Indies. Sir Julian Pauncefote has been at the state department several times recently. Matters are advancing to a point where it is expected some of the officials of the British colonies will be called into the consultations prior to signing an agreement as is customary when British colonies are concerned. It is expected that the old reciprocity treaties which were set aside by the Wilson act will serve a useful purpose as the basis for the new agreements although it will be necessary to amend them in order to allow for the changes in business and commerce that have taken place since they were drawn.

Ontario Registrar Dead.

BERLIN, Ont., Jan. 6.—(Special)—Isaac Master, registrar for the county of Waterloo, and formerly for many years a member of the Ontario Legislature for South Waterloo, died this morning, aged 64.

Mrs. Booth.

NEW YORK, Jan. 6.—At the Presbyterian hospital to-day Mrs. Maud Ballinton Booth was said to be slowly improving. She must remain in the hospital some time, however.

DURRANT DIES TO-DAY

Two Hundred Persons Will by Invitation See the Notorious Criminal Executed.

The Last Legal Process Exhausted He Faces Death a Grovelling Wretch.

Cemeteries Refuse Ground for the Remains, Which May Be Cast Into the Sea.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 6.—Counsel for Durrant, the condemned California murderer, to-day made an unsuccessful effort to have Justice Brewer of the supreme court interfere and stay the proceedings. Attorney Boardman arrived here from California to-day and made two applications for interference. Justice Brewer went over the case in detail with him and first gave consideration to an application Mr. Boardman made to sign a citation upon the appeal, which was sought to be taken from the judgment of the federal circuit court of California, denying the issuance of a writ of habeas corpus, the object being to perfect an appeal.

This application was refused, and then Mr. Boardman placed an application for a writ of error from the judgment of the Supreme court of California from the appeal of the last order of Judge Bahr fixing the date for Durrant's execution, the object being to secure a writ of supercedos, which would act as a stay of proceedings. In denying the stay upon habeas corpus, Justice Brewer said that under the construction by the court of the constitution the federal courts had no power of limitation upon the right of appeal in habeas corpus proceedings, the opinion being that such appeals should not be allowed where the appeal operates to suspend the power of the state authorities, and especially where the case has never been heard upon one appeal in a habeas corpus proceedings.

With reference to the writ of error, he considered especially the representation of Mr. Boardman upon the claim that as the constitution of California grants an appeal, such an appeal becomes a vested right. The Justice considered this point carefully, but said that as he could not accept the judgment on this point as its final action, he could not therefore see his way clear to interfere on this account. Mr. Boardman pointed out that the probable execution of Durrant tomorrow would have the practical effect of making the last judgment final as far as it should bear upon his fortunes; but the Justice held to his original determination in the matter.

The interview lasted forty minutes. After its conclusion, Mr. Boardman stated that he was undecided as to whether to make application to the full supreme court to-morrow for a writ of prohibition staying the execution. As the court does not convene until noon, and the execution is set for 10:30, he was fearful that the difference in time would not be sufficient to save Durrant, even if he should be successful in having his motion granted.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 6.—Governor Budd has announced that he will not interfere with the execution of Durrant tomorrow morning. The Governor waited at his apartments this afternoon for General Dickinson, Durrant's attorney to appear, but Dickinson did not come, and the Governor expressed his determination to allow the law to take its course. It was stated that Mr. and Mrs. Durrant would call on the Governor to make a last appeal for their son, but the Governor said he would not receive them.

ARRANGING THE EXECUTION.

Prison Reports Show That the Condemned Man at Last Realizes His Position.

SAN QUENTIN PRISON, Cal., Jan. 6.—Theodore Durrant has entirely given up hope; so has his father, who came over last evening with the news that the United States district and circuit courts were closed to all further appeals or applications for writs delaying the execution. Both are now convinced that the younger Durrant will be hanged on Friday.

When told that Governor Budd had taken under advisement the application made by his attorneys, John H. Dickinson, W. H. Foote, C. T. Coogan and A. A. Sanderson, for a commutation of the sentence to life imprisonment, or at least for a reprieve, Theodore Durrant sorrowfully remarked that he had little to hope for from the governor.

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ATHLETE AND SWEET CAPORAL

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H. L. SALMON'S, LEADING TOBACCONIST

Salmon Block, Victoria, B.C.

BAITING THE BRITISH!

How the Emperor William Has "Destroyed the Myth of Great Britain's Domination."

Berlin Papers Full of Sneering Remarks Which Are Echoed in Vienna.

LONDON, Jan. 7.—According to a special despatch from Shanghai, Russia is endeavoring to obtain terms similar to Germany's for the occupation of Port Arthur and the Liaotong peninsula from a point considerably north of Talienwan. It is believed that the attitude of England and Japan will frustrate her designs.

The Hongkong correspondent of the Daily Chronicle says: "The Russian occupation of Port Arthur completely blocks the entrance to Pekin, and it is imperative that the court should be transferred to Nankin (the southern capital)."

It is learned on excellent authority that in the event of Great Britain guaranteeing the new Chinese loan, the concessions required will take the form of insisting upon the opening of new treaty ports open to all nations alike. A financial article in the Globe says it is reported on the stock exchange that the British government has arranged to guarantee the Chinese loan of £16,000,000.

BERLIN, Jan. 7.—The German press is indulging in a tone of extravagant self-satisfaction over the success of German diplomacy in China. The fact that Emperor William personally conferred the order of the Red Eagle upon Baron von Buelow, the German foreign minister, for his share in the affair, indicates that the Emperor is delighted with the outcome of his policy. The newspapers, with the exception of the Vossiche Zeitung, are full of sneering remarks at England's expense. The Vossiche Zeitung, however, points out that there is plenty of room for everybody, and even suggests that the time has arrived for a "better understanding between England and Germany."

The rather apologetic tone of the North German Gazette in its semi-official article yesterday, seems to be the reflection of the feeling in some quarters that acquisition of a coaling station is hardly the realization of the great colonial enterprise which the blaze of Prince Henry's departure foreshadowed, and the suggestion of the possibility that Kaiochou might prove unsuitable leads many to ask whether Germany after all has taken a leap in the dark. It is now discovered that if Germany moves further north she is bound to clash with Russian interests; if further south, then with English interests.

Herr Richter in the Freisinninge thinks an unnecessary noise has been made for what he calls an omelette and he says he cannot perceive any commercial advantage in the acquisition of Kiaochou.

VIENNA, Jan. 7.—The Deutsche Zeitung, echoing German feeling, says: "England has suffered a crushing defeat, but there is no fear of war. The British lion roars but he does not bite. All civilized nations ought to be grateful to Emperor William for having destroyed the myth of Great Britain's universal domination."

GERMANY'S SOFT TALK.

Prudent Considerations Make Advisable an International Loan for China.

BERLIN, Jan. 6.—The North German Gazette to-day in a semi-official article says: "The development of affairs in East Asia is becoming more tranquil. The tension caused by a political antagonism now appears an economic one, which, however, should be arranged with little difficulty. There is no reason why one state should exclusively undertake the Chinese loan. Prudent considerations suggest the advisability of an international arrangement."

In another article the North German Gazette says: "The main purport of the Chinese agreement shows in full light the German objects in Eastern Asia, which are free from all violence. Germany does not seek to force her way into Chinese territory as a conqueror, but she will use as peaceful co-operators in the prosperous development of her affairs those powers which the Chinese government wisely and conciliatorily conceded her. As in all Germany's trans-marine enterprises, further action is subordinate to that of the moderation from which comes the motto "Harm to none." The arrangement has strengthened rather than prejudiced the Chinese-German relations. Moreover we have, from an economic and commercial point of view, secured a place which we could claim without presumption, but which we could not renounce without self-depreciation.

PORT SAID, Jan. 5.—The Russian cruiser Russia, 12,000 tons, has arrived here on the way to China. It is believed she will be compelled to disembark her guns in order to traverse the canal.

LEISURELY RELIEF.

Reindeer to Pack Dawson Supplies Will Sail From Europe in a Fortnight.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 6.—A cablegram received at the war department from Lieutenant Devore, who was sent with Dr. Jackson to Europe to secure reindeer for the Klondyke relief expedition, said that a steamer had been chartered for the transportation of the reindeer to the United States, and it was expected that the party would be able to sail on the 20th instant.

A Tennis Challenge.

BOSTON, Jan. 6.—Thomas Pettit, champion court tennis player of the world, gave out to-day a challenge to Peter W. Latham, champion of England, to play him for $5,000 a side in America, the match to be the best of thirteen sets.

An Unsuccessful Officer.

PARIS, Jan. 6.—Mr. Charles Dixon, who is described as a former officer in the United States army, attempted to commit suicide last night at his residence by stabbing himself three times near the heart with a dagger.

DURRANT DIES TO-DAY.

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The elder Durrant has finally decided not to be present at the hanging. He has so notified the warden, making a number of requests, which Warden Hale has granted. The father of the condemned murderer has asked that after the execution the remains of his son be placed at once in a coffin without an autopsy or inquest and that the black cap be not removed, so that no one may be permitted to see his boy's face after death. He also asked that the rope be burned after the execution, so it could not be cut up and the bits distributed as souvenirs.

The condemned man has received spiritual consolation from Rev. Wm. Rader, a Congregational minister from San Francisco. Chaplain Drahms also called, and Rev. Logan, of San Rafael, who frequently visited Durrant, has said farewell.

Nearly 200 invitations have been issued for the hanging of Theodore Durrant, and it is expected that fully 175 will be present. The warden has been notified that bogus invitations have been printed and sold in San Francisco.

Before Durrant is brought into the death chamber Warden Halei ntends to make a speech to the assembled crowd, demanding absolute silence and order during the execution.

General Dickinson, one of Durrant's counsel, said: "No one will have permission to interview the condemned man before he is hanged, as I have authority in the matter and have given strict orders for no one to see him. If the unfortunate man must die, I believe in letting him spend his last hours in peace and will not submit to having him pestered."

Durrant's father has not decided as to what disposition he will make of the body, owing to the fact that some of the cemetery associations will refuse to receive it on account of the notoriety which would result. The elder Durrant threatens to bury the body under the broad waters of the Pacific ocean. Friends are trying to induce the parents to have the remains cremated.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 6.—A special to the Call from San Quentin prison says that Durrant has broken down completely. When visited by his parents or friends he controls himself and stimulates calmness, but when alone with the guards he gives way to the most violent hysterical outbreaks, rolling on the floor of the cell screaming and crying. His nerve has completely forsaken him, and the opinion is expressed by prison officials that the condemned man, whose attitude of entire self-possession and cool indifference ever since his arrest has been so remarkable will have to be carried to the gallows.

SUNK IN MEDITERRANEAN.

Reported Foundering of Large Steamer With All Hands.

MARSEILLES, Jan. 7.—It is reported that a large steamer, as yet unidentified, has foundered with all hands off Beauduc, in the Mediterranean.

LABRADOR, TOO.

Report That Gold in Plenty Lies Under Its Frozen Surface.

HALIFAX, Jan. 5.—Representatives of a Canadian and American company who visited Labrador for the purpose of erecting sawmills, report that country contains deposits of gold of great richness, and is destined to become a great mining country. There exists strong evidence that gold is to be obtained in quantities equalled only by the deposits of the Klondyke.

PENITENTIARY CHAPEL AFIRE.

Christmas Decorations on the Altar at Kingston the Cause of Great Damage.

KINGSTON, Jan. 6.—(Special)—Rev. F. Meagher was celebrating mass in the penitentiary chapel to-night when one of the lights set fire to the Christmas decorations on the altar, which was almost totally destroyed. The scene was exciting while the fire lasted, the convicts attempting to put it out with their coats, but they were hurriedly seated by the guards in charge. Great damage was done to the ceiling and walls, which were beautifully decorated.

ROSSLAND MINING PROFITS.

Three Quarters of a Million Paid by the Le Roi and to Come Faster for the Future.

SPOKANE, Jan. 6.—The Le Roi directors declared a $50,000 dividend last night. This makes $725,000 paid to date. The company has just completed its own smelter at Northport at a cost of $100,000, and will begin treatment of its ores about the 15th. It is expected that it will then pay dividends of $100,000 monthly.

MAN AND MONEY LOST.

John W. Horn and Paper Worth Many Thousands Disappear Between 'Frisco and Seattle.

TACOMA, Jan. 6.—On September 21 last John W. Horn left San Francisco for Seattle with a letter of credit for $25,000, issued by a San Francisco bank, since which time nothing has been seen or heard of him. Horn was a returned Klondyker, and a letter to-day from his relatives at Eldon, Iowa, suggests that possibly he has been murdered. The police at San Frantisco and the Sound cities have been unable to learn anything of him since he stepped on the north bound boat.

New Brunswick Legislature.

ST. JOHN, Jan. 6.—(Special)—The legislature has been called for February 1. The election in Charlottetown, P.E.I., will be held on January 22.

Luxuriant hair, of uniform color, is a beautiful head-covering for either sex, and may be secured by using Hall's Vegetable Sicilian Hair Renewer.

Boys' and Men's Sweaters, 75c., $1.00, $1.25 upwards. B. Williams & Co.

Weyler Making Trouble.

MADRID, Jan. 6.—It is the general belief that the decision not to prosecute General Weyler will lead to the resignation of the minister of war, General Correa.

THE SEATTLE ARRIVES

Reaches the Outer Wharf This Morning With Another Party From Dawson.

Two Lucky Frenchmen Bring Each a Fortune Back From the Mines.

The steamer City of Seattle touched at the outer wharf at 2 o'clock this morning, bringing among her passengers another batch of some forty-five men from Dawson City. The latest of these left Dawson on the 3rd and 4th and were T. Petrie, of Nelson; N. Langner, of Seattle; Napoleon Legault, Seattle; J. P. Miller, San Francisco; J. Matthews, Seattle; N. Nupras, of Dawson; Peter King, J. Lelorge, Juneau; John Burke, Quebec, and one other.

Mr. Petrie, who went up with R. B. Wood in the interest of a company last spring, states that there is little news to give since the last arrivals in Victoria. A few days before he left Dawson, however, he heard that Hunker creek was turning out immensely rich, the work done on it showing that the creek was as rich as El Dorado. He could not speak of this from personal knowledge but it was the talk of Dawson. Sulphur Creek is turning out as he expresses it fairly good, going $10 to $15 to the pan and Last Chance creek a tributary of Hunker was also turning out well.

The strike was not settled, he says, when he left. Good miners had no trouble to get $1.50 an hour, but the trouble really arose over men who were not worth that much and could not be considered competent miners.

The deputation of three representatives of the miners, who are being sent to Ottawa with the petition asking for a change in the mining regulations expected to leave Dawson on the 15th of last month.

Mr. Petrie like the other commonsense men who have lately come from the North does not consider that there is any fear of starvation this winter. He reports Mr. Wood who is well known in Victoria as being in good health and staying behind at Dawson to look after the properties which have been secured for their company. The aggregate of money brought down on this trip is not a particularly large sum, for many of the men went into the country last spring broke, and though they are bringing back a little with them it is no great fortune.

Perhaps the biggest sum is that brought by Napoleon Legault. He had been in the Yukon only 18 months and the Seattle to-day had aboard $20,000 of his money, besides which he has mining property left worth $30,000 more.

Napoleon Dupras may be considered as a Yukon old-timer for he has been in that frozen country for the past five years and now comes out with a comfortable little stake.

A number of the Dawsonians stopped over here. The Seattle sailed again at 3 o'clock. She left Skagway on the 3rd inst.

Theo. R. Needham, editor of the Stickeen River Journal, of Fort Wrangel, was one of the passengers. He went to Seattle, but will return to Victoria on Monday. Mr. Needham brought the first copy of his paper down with him.

Hon. Edgar Dewdney was to leave for Victoria on the City of Topeka, sailing from Wrangel yesterday.

'FRISCO THEATRE GUTTED.

The "Columbia" Takes Fire Early Enough to Avoid Panic or Loss of Life.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 6 —The Columbia theatre on Powell street, near the Market, the smallest but most popular of the three playhouses controlled in this city by Friedlander, Gottlieb & Co., was gutted by fire this evening. The fire broke out at 7:45, when there were only about 100 persons in the house. At the first sound of the alarm all of these people were quickly and safely escorted to the box office and their money returned.

PASSENGERS.

Per steamer OCEAN WAVE from the Sound—D Cartmel, D White, E McLaughlin, J Hellner, J C Bishop, E Allison, George S Sayer, Mrs Min, F W Churchouse, A Borgerson, Capt Armstrong and wife, J C Colberth, C Brush, E W Williams, M King, J F Kelly, J Calkins and wife, W T Barnes, J D Malcolm, A Salberg and wife, F Kruger, D K Mills, John Macrae, John Metcalph, R Curbridge, J McPherson, S Fraser, F Stager, J Douglass, D McLaugherty and C S Kell.

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VANCOUVER NOMINATIONS.

Names of the Candidates for Mayor, Aldermen and School Trustees.

VANCOUVER, Jan. 6.—(Special)—The nominations to-day were as follows: For mayor—Wm. Templeton and James H. Garden. For aldermen. (Acclamation, Jas McQueen and T. F. Neelands): Ward 1—G. W. Leslie, H. J. Painter, R. Hoffmeister and T. O. Townley. Ward 3—D. McPhaiden, W. J. McGuigan and H. B. Dougherty. Ward 4—W. J. Barker, C. F. Foreman, Wm. Brown and C. I. Behnsen. Ward 5—D. G. Macdonnell, J. A. McRae, W. Towler, R. A. McMorran and A. Bruce. Mrs. C. Reid was one of those nominated for school trustees.

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Purest and Best for Table and Dairy
No adulteration. Never cakes.

The London Disaster.

LONDON, Ont., Jan. 6.—There is nothing to be added to the story of Monday's disaster. Hundreds of citizens attended the funerals of several of the unfortunates to-day.

If you once try Carter's Little Liver Pills for sick headache, billiousness or constipation you will never be without them. They are purely vegetable, small and easy to take. Don't forget this.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

NOTICE.

The Silver Hustler Mining Company, Limited Liability.

The ordinary general meeting of the Company will be held on Monday, the 17th day of January 1898, at 3 p.m., at 108 Government street (formerly Wheelmen's Club rooms), Victoria, B. C. Business: Election of trustees and auditors, consideration of accounts, balance sheet, trustee and auditor's reports

ROBT. H. SWINERTON,
Secretary Treasurer.
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NOTICE.

The Victoria Mining and Development Co., Limited Liability.

The ordinary general meeting of this Company will be held on Wednesday, the 19th day of January, 1898, at 3 p.m., at 108 Government street (formerly Wheelmen's Club rooms,) Victoria, B.C. Business: Election of trustees and auditors, consideration of accounts, balance sheet, trustees' and auditors' reports.

ROBT. H. SWINERTON,
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B. C. MEDICAL COUNCIL

EXAMINATION.

An examination of candidates for Registration under the B. C. Medical Act will be held at the Board of Health rooms, Parliament Building, Victoria, beginning at 10 o'clock, on Tuesday, January 11th.

The Registrar will attend at above named rooms on Monday, January 10th, from 10 to 12, and from 2 to 4 to receive names of candidates and examine diplomas.

For particulars apply to

DR. C. J. FAGAN
Registrar & Secretary,
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Or to

DR. JOHN A. DUNCAN,
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SILVER FOX	$15 00 to	$150 00
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Sick Headache and relieve all the troubles incident to a bilious state of the system, such as Dizziness, Nausea, Drowsiness, Distress after eating, Pain in the Side, &c. While their most remarkable success has been shown in curing

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CARTER'S LITTLE LIVER PILLS are very small and very easy to take. One or two pills make a dose. They are strictly vegetable and do not gripe or purge, but by their gentle action please all who use them. In vials at 25 cents; five for $1. Sold everywhere, or sent by mail.

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WANTED—An apprentice and waist finisher for dressmaking. Miss Leonard, 120 Fort street. ja6

WANTED — Situation as bookkeeper and typewriter, 6 years' experience. Address K., Colonist. j5

SITUATION WANTED by young English-woman as useful companion to a lady, or position in store or hotel. A.R., Colonist. ja5

WANTED—At once, an under nursemaid. Apply Mrs. F. B. Pemberton, Foul Bay Road. ja4

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WANTED—A young man about 20 years of age for a wholesale office. One living at home preferred. Apply in applicant's handwriting to P. O. Drawer 49, Victoria. de28

WANTED—A smart office boy; must be a good stenographer, typewriter and bookkeeper; one living with his parents preferred. Apply in applicants own handwriting, stating qualification, age, salary expected, and giving references. A. W. More & Co., 86 Government street. ja5

WANTED—The address of Arthur Charles Hancock, of St. Agnes, in the County of Cornwall, architect and builder; last heard of at Victoria, Vancouver Island, British Columbia, about 6½ years ago; any information as to his whereabouts or as to date and place of death (if deceased) will be thankfully received W. H. Meuneer, Solicitor, Penzance, Cornwall, England. ja4

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NOTICE is hereby given that application will be made to the Parliament of Canada and to the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia at their respective next sessions, to incorporate a Company to construct a railway to be operated by steam or electricity from a point at or near Crantrook, in East Kootenay, British Columbia, the most northerly point on the Crow's Nest railway, thence running in a northerly direction up the Kootenay River to Canal Flat; thence to the Columbia Lake, and in a northerly direction down the Columbia River to Canoe River; thence up the Canoe River and across the Portage to the head waters of the Fraser River; thence down the Fraser River to Giscome Portage; thence across the Portage to Parsnip River; thence down the Parsnip River to Findley River, and up the Findley River and across the divide to Frances Lake, and thence to the Yukon—with power to divert the route of the line north of Giscome Portage either by way of Dease Lake or as may be found most suitable on further exploration, with power to build and operate branch lines not exceeding sixty miles in length, and all necessary bridges and roads. Also to construct and operate telegraph and telephone lines for the transmission of messages for the public, to build acquire and operate steam and other vessels and all necessary ferries, wharves and docks; to take and use water for generating electricity and to transmit and dispose of the power thereof from for lighting, heating and motive purposes; with power also to carry on the business of a general trading Company, of an Express Company; also to own, manage and lease hotels, to acquire timber limits and operate saw mills for the production and sale of lumber; and to mine, explore and develop mineral lands, and to carry on a general mining and ore smelting business, including the erection and operation of smelters and concentrators.

Dated at Ottawa 5th November, 1897.

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THE ROSSLAND ACCIDENT.

Finding of the Coroner's Jury—Two Good Properties Bonded.

ROSSLAND, Jan. 6.—The jury at the inquest held on the death of Captain Hall, superintendent of the Le Roi, found a verdict of "accidentally killed," and drew the attention of the provincial government to the fact that no mine inspector has been appointed. Everybody in Rossland attended the funeral to-day.

There is excellent reason for the belief that the B. A. Corporation has bonded the Centre Star and Iron Mask mines, two of the best properties in the camp.

VANCOUVER EVENTS.

Success of the Channe Company—Burglars Traced to Everett.

VANCOUVER, Jan, 6.—(Special)—The Channe company held its annual meeting of shareholders yesterday in the Board of Trade rooms. Directors were appointed as follows: Messrs. Willis, Sheasgreen, Shirley, Atkins and Benwell. G. W. Willis was chosen president, J. Sheasgreen vice president and J. A. Fraser secretary. It was decided to advertise in the British Columbia Gazette that another meeting would be called to consider the advisability of reducing the capital of the company from $1,000,000 to $250,000. All those present, representing more than two-thirds of the issued stock, agreed to pool their stock when the per capita is reduced. In fact there is little doubt but that a very close pool can be arranged in this event. Sufficient treasury stock will be sold at par to operate the present properties of the Channe company in Kootenay, and the proceeds of the 25,000 £1 guaranteed shares of the Gold Fields of British Columbia stock owned by the Channe company, now being placed on the British market, will be disposed of in the shape of dividends to the Channe shareholders.

The burglars who operated in Vancouver and Westminster so successfully of late, have been traced to Everett, Wash., and it is expected they will be located and arrested there or in Seattle.

A great many properties owned by Vancouver parties or operated by companies located here are being examined at present by English experts.

"BABES IN THE WOOD."

A Very Entertaining Evening Enjoyed by a Large Audience at Workmen's Hall.

A well pleased audience filled the A. O. U. W. hall last evening, to witness the entertainment given in aid of the Christ Church cathedral Sunday school funds, under the auspices of the Willing Workers. The sparkling extravaganza "Babes in the Wood," was preceded by "Tableaux Vivants," a beautiful portrayal of the story of Cinderella. The tuneful songs were well rendered, the dances showed careful, painstaking training, and in every particular the programme was carried out without a hitch.

In the tableux Miss Ethel Brown proved a charming Cinderella, and Miss Elsie Shrapnel was successful as the gallant Prince. The role of the little fairy godmother was well taken by Miss Dorothy Beanlands.

The minuet danced in the presence of royalty was performed with great precision and grace by the Misses Maud and Kate Lettice, King, Shrapnel, Scholefield and Johns. The part of the proud sisters was amusingly rendered by Miss Eliza King and Miss Maud Lettice, whose disappointment was vividly depicted when their feet refused to enter the slipper held by the handsome courtier—Miss Eva Shrapnel.

The Extravaganza "Babes in the Wood" was a grand success from beginning to end. Mr. B. H. T. Drake and Mr. Thomas Pooley, the hopelessly naughty, ill-behaved babes, were absolutely true to life, and the delighted audience testified their appreciation by repeated and continual applause. The difficult part of Sir Roland was cleverly taken and admirably sustained throughout by Mr. Robert Powell, whose style and voice in singing show proficiency and careful training. He was well supported by Miss Adelaide King as Lady Macassar. Her acting throughout was very clever, and for so young a child she exhibited wonderful talent and histrionic powers. The parts of the two ruffians were very cleverly performed by Mr. Cecil Berkeley and Mr. Stanley Johnson, whose combat at the last, when virtue prevails over vice, was exceedingly amusing and brought down the house.

The poor harassed governess—Miss Eliza King—tortured and worried beyond endurance by the troublesome babes, was admirably portrayed, exhibiting dramatic ability far above the common. The part of the family physician was taken by Mr. Darrel Hanington, whose make-up was exceedingly good and whose clear voice and finished acting showed careful training and great talent. Sir Roland's two confidential friends and advisers—Sir Rupert and Sir Roderick—were well personified in Mr. Sidney Powell and Mr. Jack Brown.

Miss Viola Hickey was all that could be desired as a fairy queen, while the little fairies were simply bewitching. Their delightful fairy dance, with waving scarfs and flying draperies was most beautifully executed, and showed that some skilful hand had trained them. As they danced around the sleeping babes they sang an appropriate little song composed for them for this occasion. The huntsmen with their drinking horns and cracking whips were quite a feature in the first scene.

The pianist was Mr. Carl Loewenberg, whose skilful playing contributed much to the success of the play. The music for the tableaux was delightfully rendered by Mrs. Stephen Wootton.

MORE FOR KLONDYKE.

A Party of Four Here to Find Out About Routes and Prices.

Another party of prospective gold hunters bound for the North, arrived in the city yesterday and are registered at the Dominion hotel. The party is composed of J. H. Ingram, Sonora, Cal; H. A. Warring, and J. H. McIntosh, of Denver, Col; and George F. Stewart, late of Cripple Creek. All are expert miners and for some time they have been prospecting in Kootenay, but recently decided to go north to the placer mines. They have not decided which route they will take, but rather favor the Stickeen river. The party will not leave for some weeks, during which time they hope to obtain reliable information as to the best route to take and the best place at which to outfit. Speaking in regard to outfitting, one of the party said last evening: "Although we are all Americans, we intend to get our outfits at the city where we can get them cheapest. We will compare the prices in Seattle and in Victoria before purchasing."

All members of the party speak in glowing terms of the immense wealth of the Kootenay, but say that it requires large capital to develop mines in that country. When they left the Arrow Lake country the snow was eight feet deep on the mountains, and they say if the Northern gold fields offer more difficulties than they experienced in the Kootenay, it must be a rough place, indeed. The party will remain here for some days.

RELIGION A SUPERSTITION.

Remarkable Testament of a Leader in a Presbyterian Church.

NEW YORK, Jan. 5.—One of the most remarkable wills ever filed in the office of the Surrogate is that of Henry Morehouse Tabor, offered for probate yesterday. Mr. Tabor was president and treasurer of the board of trustees of the First Presbyterian church, and died on Christmas eve at the age of 73 years. Two children, Sydney Richmond Tabor and Mary Tabor, survive the testator and to them the entire estate, valued at over $1,000,000, is given absolutely. The will is in the handwriting of the testator and contains the following:

"Believing that all religions, including Christianity, are superstitions; that the basic doctrine of the Christian religion, 'the fall of man,' is utterly and absolutely false and that its opposite, the rise of man from the lower orders, is a scientific fact; that beliefs in (so-called) miracles are hallucinations of the brain and never had the slightest existence in fact; that the chief characteristics of what is termed the "Word of God" are injustice, cruelty, untruthfulness and obscenity; that the effect of orthodox Christian teaching is to encourage ignorance, selfishness, narrow mindedness, acrimoniousness, intolerance, wrong and mental slavery; that Christianity, so called, is not the religion of Christ; that it supplants ethical culture and true morality with meaningless theology and unbelievable dogmas; that it puts an unknown (and probably unknowable) imaginary being in the place of nature; that it gives a name and a personality to evil—an equally unknown and imaginary being; that it so works upon the credulity of its adherents as to invite in them a fear of (that most horrible of doctrines) eternal punishment; I say, believing all these, and in all kindness and in all earnestness, I request that over my remains there be no religious services of any kind, nature or description whatever.

"I also request that my body be cremated at Fresh Pond, or some other crematory, and that all my ashes be left there."

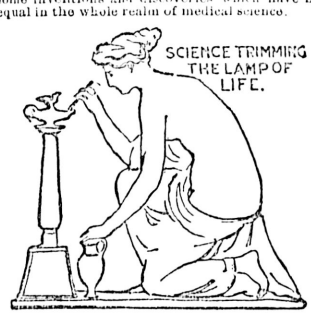
Free Trial To Any Honest Man

The Foremost Medical Company in the World in the Cure of Weak Men Makes this Offer.

HEALTH AND ENERGY ASSURED. HAPPY MARRIAGE, GOOD TEMPER, LONG LIFE.

In all the world to-day—in all the history of the world—no doctor nor institution has treated and restored so many men as has the famed ERIE MEDICAL CO. of Buffalo, N. Y.

This is due to the fact that the company controls some inventions and discoveries which have no equal in the whole realm of medical science.



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Not a dollar need be advanced—not a penny paid—till results are known to and acknowledged by the patient.

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They restore or create strength, vigor, healthy tissue and new life.

They quickly stop drains on the system that sap the energy.

They cure nervousness, despondency and all the effects of evil habits, excesses, overwork, etc.

They give full strength, development and tone to every portion and organ of the body.

Failure is impossible and age is no barrier.

This "Trial without Expense" offer is limited by the company to a short time, and application must be made at once.

No C. O. D. scheme, no bogus philanthropy nor deception, no exposure—a clean business proposition by a company of high financial and professional standing.

Write to the ERIE MEDICAL COMPANY, BUFFALO, N.Y., and refer to seeing the account of their offer in this paper.

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NOTICE.

To prospectors, miners and holders of mineral claims on unoccupied land within the Esquimalt & Nanaimo Railway Company land grant *FOR ONE YEAR ONLY* from the date of this notice the Railway Company will sell their rights to all minerals (excepting coal and iron) and the surface rights of mineral claims, at the price of $5.00 per acre. Such sales will be subject to all other reservations contained in conveyances from the Company prior to this date. One half of the purchase money to be paid ten days after recording the claim with the Government, and a duplicate of the record to be filed in the Company's Land Office, Victoria, on payment of the first instalment. The balance of the purchase money to be paid in two equal instalments, at the expiration of six and twelve months, without interest. Present holders of minerals claims who have not previously made other arrangements with the Company for acquiring surface and mineral rights, are hereby notified to at once make the first payment on their claims, as otherwise they will be deemed and treated as trespassers.

LEONARD H. SOLLY,
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Victoria, B.C., June 1st, 1897. je5

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ELECTION CARDS.

THE MAYORALTY.

To the Electors of the City of Victoria.

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN:—Having been requested by a large number of ratepayers to offer myself as candidate for Mayor at the ensuing Municipal Election, I have much pleasure in complying with their request, and I now most respectfully solicit the votes and influence of the electors of the municipality to secure my election.

Previous to the date of election, I will, by public notice, call you together to place before you my views in municipal matters.

JOSEPH WESTROP CAREY.

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To the Electors of the Central Ward.

Ladies and Gentlemen:

At the request of a number of ratepayers, I offer myself as a candidate for re-election as Alderman for Central Ward, trusting that my action in the Council for the past met with your approval, I would ask for a continuation of your influence and support.

Respectfully Yours,
LOUIS VIGELIUS.

To the Electors of Central Ward.

Ladies and Gentlemen:—

Having been requested by a large number of ratepayers, I offer myself as a candidate for re-election as Alderman for above Ward, and respectfully solicit your vote and influence.

j6 A. STEWART.

To the Electors of Central Ward.

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN:—At the request of a number of ratepayers I have decided to offer myself as candidate for Central Ward, and having the time at my disposal to devote to the affairs of the city, I hope in some measure if elected to be of service to the ratepayers. Soliciting your vote and influence

Yours respectfully,
P. C. MACGREGOR.

To the Electors of Centra Ward.

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN:—By a numerously signed requisition of a number of influential voters, I have consented to become a candidate as Alderman for your ward, and respectfully ask your votes and influence at the coming civic election.

JOS. E. PHILLIPS,
ja6 *74 and 76 View St.*

For Alderman.

To the Electors of North Ward:

In offering myself again as a candidate to represent you in the City Council, I trust that my record as Alderman during the past year has met with your approval, and that I may count upon your support at the coming election.

ja JOHN KINSMAN.

To the Electors of North Ward.

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN:

Owing to unforeseen circumstances I very much regret to have to announce that I shall have to withdraw as a candidate for alderman to represent North Ward. I find that I shall not be able to devote as much time as I would like to the duties connected with the position if elected this year. Thanking all those who so kindly offered their support, and trusting I shall have their confidence and support on some future occasion. I am,

Yours very truly,
THOS. BRADBURY.

Jan. 6th, 1898.

(Times copy.)

F. ELWORTHY—Balance-sheets prepared, accounts audited, general agencies taken. Office, Board of Trade Building. au30-tf

THE SEMI-WEEKLY COLONIST leads

L.S.] THOS. R. McINNES.

CANADA.

PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA.

VICTORIA, by the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, QUEEN, Defender of the Faith, &c., &c., &c.

To Our Faithful the members elected to serve in the Legislative Assembly of Our Province of British Columbia at Our City of Victoria—GREETING.

A PROCLAMATION.

A. G. Smith
Deputy Attorney-General.

WHEREAS We are desirous and resolved, as soon as may be, to meet Our people of Our Province of British Columbia, and to have their advice in Our Legislature:

NOW KNOW YE, that for divers causes and considerations, and taking into consideration the ease and convenience of Our loving subjects, We have thought fit, by and with the advice of Our Executive Council of the Province of British Columbia, to hereby convoke, and by these presents enjoin you, and each of you, that on Thursday, the tenth day of the month of February, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight, you meet Us in Our said Legislature or Parliament of Our said Province, at Our City of Victoria, FOR THE DISPATCH OF BUSINESS, to treat, do, act, and conclude upon those things which in Our Legislature of the Province of British Columbia, by the Common Council of Our said Province may, by the favor of God, be ordained.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, We have caused these Our Letters to be made Patent, and the Great Seal of the said Province to be hereunto affixed: WITNESS, the Honourable THOMAS R. McINNES, Lieutenant-Governor of Our said Province of British Columbia, in Our City of Victoria, in Our said Province, this 30th day of December, in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven and in the sixty-first year of Our Reign.

By command,
JAMES BAKER,
de31 Provincial Secretary.

NOTICE.

ASSESSMENT ACT.

Notice is hereby given that the Court of Revision and Appeal will sit as follows:—

For the Electoral Districts of Victoria City:—At 51 Langley street, in the City of Victoria, on Monday the 10th and Tuesday 11th days of January, 1898, at 11 o'clock a.m.

For the Electoral District of South Victoria:—At the Royal Oak, on Friday, the 7th day of January, 1898, at 11:30 o'clock a.m., and at John Camp's, South Saanich, on Wednesday, the 12th day of January, 1898, at 12 o'clock noon.

For that portion of North Victoria Electoral District known as North Saanich:—On Saturday the 8th day of January, 1898, at the Sidney Hotel, Sidney, at 12 o'clock noon.

For the Electoral District of Esquimalt:—On Friday, the 31st day of December, 1897, at Henry Price's, Parson's Bridge, at 11 o'clock a.m.

For that portion of the Electoral Districts of Comox ann Cassiar, known as the Coast, Rupert, Sayward and Quntsino Land Districts:—At 51 Langley street, Victoria, on Tuesday, the 28th day of December, 1897, at 11 o'clock a.m.

For that portion of the Cowichan-Alberni Electoral District known as Barclay and Clayoquot Land Districts:—At 51 Langley street, Victoria, on Wednesday, the 29th day of December, 1897, at 11 o'clock a.m.

Dated at Victoria, this 6th day of Dec. 1897.

S. PERRY MILLS,
Judge of the Court of Revision and Appeal.

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E. A. WILMOT,
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NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that application will be made to the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia, at its next session for an Act to incorporate a Company with power to construct, equip, operate by any kind or kinds of motive power, and maintain either a standard or narrow gauge railway for the purpose of conveying passengers and freight, including all kinds of merchandise, from a point at or near Pyramid Harbour, on the Lynn Canal in a northerly or north-westerly direction, and by the most direct and feasible route to a point on the boundary line between this province and the Northwest Territory of Canada, and with power to construct equip, operate and maintain branch lines and all necessary roads, bridges, ways, ferries, wharfs, docks, and coal bunkers; and with power to build, own equip, operate and maintain steam and other vessels and boats; and with power to build, equip, operate and maintain telegraph and telephone lines in connection with the said railway and branches, and to carry on a general express business, and to build and operate all kinds of plant for the purpose of supplying light, heat, electricity or any kind of motive power; and with power to expropriate lands for the purposes of the Company, and to acquire lands bonuses, privileges, or other aids from any government, municipality, or other persons or bodies corporate; and to make traffic or other arrangements with railway, steamboat or other companies; and with power to build wagon roads to be used in the construction of such railway and in advance of the same, and to levy and collect tolls from all parties using, and on all freight passing over any of such roads built by the company, whether built before or after the construction of the railway; and with all other usual, necessary or incidental rights, powers or privileges as may be necessary or incidental or conducive to the attainment of the above objects or any of them.

Dated at the City of Victoria, the 3rd day of December, A.D. 1897.

R. T. ELLIOTT,
de4 Solicitor for the Applicants.

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that application will be made to the Legislative Assembly of the province of British Columbia at its next session for an Act to incorporate a company with power to construct, equip, operate by any kind or kinds of motive power, and maintain either a standard or narrow gauge railway for the purpose of conveying passengers and freight, including all kinds of merchandise, from a point at or near Portland Inlet or Portland Canal, Cassiar District, British Columbia by the most direct and feasible route to a point at or near Teslin Lake; and with power to construct, equip, operate and maintain branch lines and all necessary roads, bridges, ways, ferries, wharves, docks and coal bunkers; and with power to build, own, equip, operate and maintain steam and other vessels and boats; and with power to build, equip, operate and maintain telegraph and telephone lines in connection with the said railway and branches; and to carry on a general express business, and to build and operate all kinds of plant for the purpose of supplying light, heat, electricity or any kind of motive power; and with power to expropriate lands for the purposes of the company; and to acquire lands, bonuses, privileges, or other aids from any government, municipality, or other persons or bodies corporate; and to make traffic or other arrangements with railways steamboats or other companies: and with power to build wagon roads to be used in the construction of such railway and in advance of the same, and to levy and collect tolls from all parties using and on all freight passing over any of such roads built by the company, whether built before or after the construction of the railway; and with all other usual, necessary or incidental rights, powers or privileges as may be necessary or incidental or conducive to the attainment of the above objects or any of them.

Dated at the City of Victoria the 4th day of August, A.D. 1897.

HUNTER & OLIVER,
au5 Solicitors for the Applicants.

NOTICE is hereby given that application will be made to the Parliament of Canada at its next session for an Act to incorporate a company with power to construct, equip, operate and maintain a railway of standard or any other gauge from a point at or near the head of Lynn canal northward along Dalton's trail or as near thereto as practicable to a point at or near Fort Selkirk in the North West Territories, with power to connect with any railway in American Territory, and to construct, operate and maintain branch lines and all necessary roads, ways, bridges and ferries, and to build, own and maintain wharves and docks in connection therewith, and with power to build, equip, own and maintain steam and other vessels and boats, and to operate the same on any navigable waters, and with power to build, equip, operate and maintain telegraph and telephone lines in connection with the proposed railway and works, and to generate electricity for the supply of light, heat and power, and with power to expropriate lands for the purposes of the Company, and to acquire lands, bonuses, privileges and other aids from any government, municipal corporations, or other persons or bodies, and to levy and collect tolls from all parties using, and on all freight passing over any of such roads, railway, ferries, wharves and vessels, and with power to make traffic or other arrangements with railway steamboat or other companies, and for all other necessary or incidental rights, powers and privileges in that behalf.

ROBERT CASSIDY,
32 Langley St., Victoria, B.C.,
Solicitor for the applicants.

November 16th, 1897. n26

NOTICE is hereby given that application will be made to the Legislative Assembly of the province of British Columbia at its next session for an act to incorporate a company for the purpose of developing and turning to commercial use the iron ore deposits situate upon and near the coast line of the province of British Columbia, and to that end, to construct blast furnaces, rolling mills, roads, tram roads, railroads, docks wharves, houses, buildings, wharves, docks, steam and other ships, hydraulic power plant and works, electric power and electric lighting plant and works, plate-rolling plant, tin-plating plant, and such other plant and appliances for the manufacture of pig iron, steel blooms and billets, tin plates and generally to do all things necessary and conductive to the establishment of iron, steel and tin plate works and manufactories, and for the establishment of a home trade and an export trade, and to acquire lands, privileges, or other aids from any government, municipal corporation, or other persons or bodies, and generally to do, acquire, receive and perform all usual and necessary rights, powers privileges and aids for giving full effect to the intentions of the applicant herein before set forth.

Dated at Victoria, the 8th day of December, 1897.

JOHN COBELDICK,
d10 Applicant.

NOTICE is hereby given that application will be made to the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia, at its next session, for an Act to incorporate a company with power to construct, equip maintain and operate, by any kind or kinds of motive power, either a standard or narrow-gauge railway, for the purpose of conveying passengers, freight and merchandise from Teslin Lake, in the Province of British Columbia, in a southerly direction to some point on the Pacific coast or inlets thereof, in the said Province; with power to construct, equip, maintain and operate branch lines and all necessary roads, bridges, ways, ferries, wharves, docks, elevators and railway stations in connection therewith, and generally to carry on the business of transportation; to erect, maintain and operate telegraph and telephone lines in connection with the said railway and any branches thereof; and with power to expropriate lands for the purposes aforesaid; to acquire lands, bonuses, privileges or other aids from any government, municipal corporation, or other persons or bodies corporate; and to levy and collect tolls from all parties using, and on all freight passing over the said railway or any of its branches; together with all such other powers, rights and privileges as may be necessary or incidental to the attainment of the foregoing objects or any of them.

Dated at Victoria, B.C., the 8th day of December, 1897.

H. E. A. ROBERTSON,
8 Bastion Square, Victoria, B.C.,
de-10 Solicitor for the applicants.

NOTICE is hereby given that application will be made to the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia, at its next session, for an Act to incorporate a company for the purpose of constructing a railway from some point on the Skeena River, in the Province of British Columbia, to some point at or near the eastern boundary of the Province, with power to build branch lines to be operated by any known motive power to any mining or farming regions practicable in connection with the said railway; to construct and operate telegraph and telephone lines in connection with the said railway or any part thereof; to construct elevators, build wharves, docks, warehouses, smelters, refineries, concentrators stamp mills, etc.; to carry on a general mining and transportation business; to build construct, acquire, and operate ships, steamships, barges or other water craft; to appropriate or otherwise acquire water power, rights and privileges.

HERBERT E. A. ROBERTSON,
8 Bastion Square, Victoria, B.C.,
de-10 Solicitor for the applicants.

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THE LOCAL OPPOSITION.

What British Columbia needs during the next few years is an administration composed of men with some knowledge of public affairs and some experience in dealing with the many questions that are certain to arise from day to day in constantly increasing numbers, as the development of the province goes on. For this reason the character of the opposition is a very important factor in the local political situation. When a party of men seek to have their fellow citizens place the administration of affairs in their hands, they ought to be able to point to some evidence of their capacity to administer them. We think we may say, without undue disparagement, that the gentlemen, who have hitherto been looked upon as the opposition leaders, and hence would be selected to form a new government in the event of an overturn during the life of the present house, have not displayed any special fitness for public position, or given the slightest reason for anyone to suppose that they would render the country better service than that afforded by Hon. Mr. Turner and his colleagues.

It is desirable to avoid, when possible, the discussion of personal matters in the press, but there is a personal side to every political situation, which must be taken into account, and can and ought to be considered in a kindly spirit, though with perfect frankness. We know of no other way to discuss politics intelligently or usefully, except to speak of the things that people talk about.

Mr. Semlin is leader of the opposition, and presumably would be the leader of a new government. Everyone who knows Mr. Semlin likes him. He is a fine, honorable specimen of manhood. He is not lacking in ability. But Mr. Semlin has been many years in the legislature, and if he has left the impress of his mind upon legislation or administration the fact is not conspicuous. He has been a consistent critic of the government's policy, but has never displayed any constructiveness. Speaking with the most friendly feeling towards him, we must frankly say that Mr. Semlin has not given any reason why he should be suspected of possessing those qualities of mind or that experience which are necessary in the eventful period now begun in our provincial history.

Mr. Cotton is a gentleman of ability. He is not without popularity. He is a close reasoner. He has considerable knowledge of affairs and might be made useful in a subordinate place in a government. He does not possess any qualifications for leadership, and is too uncertain a quantity and too much given to the spinning of theories to be able to command the confidence of the house. Mr. Cotton would be courteous and industrious in office, but it cannot be claimed that he is the sort of material one would select for cabinet timber.

Mr. Williams is another gentleman who is much thought of by everyone who has come in contact with him. He feels himself, however, that he has been a legislative failure, and no one either in the house or out of it regards him as fitted for an administrative post.

Mr. Sword is a gentleman of much more than average ability and a good verbal critic of legislation. He may possess administrative ability, but we hardly think his traning and experience have developed it. If we had as large a cabinet in British Columbia as they have in the other provinces, Mr. Sword would make a useful member, but it may be said of him as of his leader, Mr. Semlin, that however estimable he may be personally, he is not one to whom those, who have had the opportunity of observing his public career, would turn with any degree of confidence as an administrative officer in a period of provincial history that will call for the best ability the country can produce.

Concerning the other members of the opposition we need not speak particularly. For them all the COLONIST entertains none but kindly feelings, and in saying that they have not exhibited such qualities as would be a guarantee of greater usefulness on the right of Mr. Speaker than they have displayed on the other side of the house, we only say what every one says, and what it would be superfluous to repeat, if it were not that politics is a practical business and when people talk of a change it is important to think not only of what the change is from, but what it is proposed to change to.

That our views upon the above points are not peculiar to ourselves, but are shared in by a large proportion of those who are opposed to the government, is evidenced by the fact that the movement which found expression in the New Westminster convention was as much a revolt against the local opposition leaders as a demonstration against the Hon. Mr. Turner and his colleagues.

CONSUL SMITH'S REPORT.

The COLONIST can endorse every word of what Senator Macdonald says in his letter about Consul Smith's December report to his government. The consul states the position of Victoria in the fairest possible manner. Victoria he describes as "naturally the gateway of the Northwest." We print the report in to-day's issue.

We think it well to emphasize the point made by Senator Macdonald about there being no discrimination against United States citizens in the collection of duties at the Yukon frontier. No questions are asked as to a man's nationality. When he reaches the custom house at Lake Tagish he must pay duty on goods not made in Canada, whether he owes allegiance to Queen Victoria or is an alien. This ought not to be lost sight of, for there has been a disposition to misrepresent the attitude of the people of British Columbia and the effect of the Canadian laws upon this subject. It has been persistently alleged, by those who ought to know better, that what was aimed at was the exclusion of aliens from the Yukon. We do not disguise the fact that many people in British Columbia favor such exclusion; but there is no law to authorize it. Under the laws of Canada as they now stand, and as they are likely to stand for some time to come, it matters not in what country a man was born or to what government he owes allegiance, he is free to enter the Yukon and exploit its wealth. All that is asked of him is that he shall obey the laws of Canada, and one of those laws is that, if he proposes to bring foreign goods into the country, he shall pay the duty on them, which duty, in the case of Yukon outfits, amounts to about 30 per cent.

Consul Smith has made a very favorable impression upon the people of this city, which will be strengthened by his frank and manly statement of the matter forming the subject of his December report. In this he represents the best type of American citizenship, which does not try to deceive itself and does not thank anyone for trying to deceive it about matters touching upon its business interests.

THE Toronto Globe resumes its active opposition to government aid, that is Dominion government aid to any additional railway projects. This time it speaks against such assistance being extended to a line to open Northern Ontario. Our contemporary in this redeems itself from the charge of specially directing its opposition against Western projects. But we are not able to agree with it upon this special matter. This country must be developed and that too as quickly as possible. It is necessary for this purpose that federal aid should be given. This can be extended in such a way as to make the burden upon the taxpayers comparatively light. We think it is not beyond the ingenuity of the government to devise a proper system of government aid.

THE Times makes an attack upon "the Dunsmuir family." We submit that this is running politics pretty well down into the ground. It is interesting to know that in the opinion of Senator Templeman's paper the Dominion and provincial governments which secured the building of the E. & N. railway were blockheads and dunderheads. These are new epithets to apply to Sir John Macdonald, the Marquis of Lorne, and Premier Smythe. Where would the Times class Alexander Mackenzie for his proposition in regard to this railway? There is no reason why the COLONIST should undertake the defence of the policy, which led to the building of this railway. That has been made over and over again. The policy was ratified by the people and has never been successfully attacked. If a defence were necessary, it could easily be made.

THE wages of the 20,000 cotton mill operatives in the State of Maine have been reduced. This seems to give color to the recent statement of a prominent New York minister to the effect that the day of prosperity for the United States has passed never to return. In many conspicuous quarters such an idea is entertained. Can it be that the greatest historic experiment in popular government ever tried is to be a failure? There have been those who prophesied its failure from the beginning; as there are those who claim that all that has prevented disaster hitherto was the existence of a great domain where any man could become a landlord.

A CORRESPONDENT writes from Seattle asking the COLONIST to oppose the proposed scheme of an individual to get a cinch on the route around Lake Linderman and charge a fee of $2 on all people crossing it. Our esteemed friend need not fear. There will be no cinch game up in those latitudes. Neither the Provincial nor the Dominion governments will allow it. We are speaking "by the book."

A LOT of more or less amiable New Yorkers have formed an anti-British society. There is probably nothing so childish or so blind as the average ignorant United States politician, and they are in the majority, that is so far as newspaper notoriety is concerned. If it were not that the majority of the people have fairly good sense, those crazy leaders of public opinion would have shipwrecked the nation long ago.

THE San Francisco Examiner thinks that Great Britain is decaying. It would be a sorrowful thing for the United States if this were true. In such a case the republic would stand alone among the nations, hated by all and an easy prey to its enemies. But it is not true. There never was a time since history was written when it was less true than now.

THE Kansas City Times says that the United States government is running behind at the rate of $168,000,000 a year. This is probably an exaggeration, although there is no doubt that the Dingley tariff is proving a failure as a revenue-producer.

THE Tacoma Ledger complains that Consul Smith's report contains good advertising matter for Victoria. That is because it tells the truth. The truth is the only advertisement that Victoria needs.

IF Great Britain guarantees the new Chinese loan it will be on condition that new ports are made open, and free to all the world. A fair field and no favor always was John Bull's motto.

WE do not say that we hope Durrant will be hanged to-day; but we do hope that his case will be disposed of in some way that will keep it out of the newspapers.

SPAIN is the latest nation to receive the advantage of that preferential tariff in favor of Great Britain. Come, Mr. Fielding, move to make it unanimous.

AND now it is Labrador that is coming to the front as a gold-producing country. What a trick nature has of putting gold where it is hard to get at!

A KLONDYKE letter speaks of candles selling there at $200 a box. Why don't they use gas?

THE COLONIST did not write the Æneid, even though the Times may think so.

THE CANADIAN PRESS.

THOSE LIBEL SUITS.

Premier Turner has used good judgment in setting the machinery of the law into operation against those journalistic traducers, the Province and other papers following in its steps. They will now have the opportunity of either proving their charges in court or else of admitting themselves to be slanderers.

If it can be proven to be a crime for any public official to have his name associated with a mining company, now is the Province's chance to have this new crime clearly defined. If such association justifies a newspaper in publishing columns of coarse inuendo and scurrilous abuse, the Province will doubtless look for its justification.

When men of high character are called to public office, they naturally shrink from acceptance if they feel that they are to be made defenceless targets by any newspaper that disagrees with them. This libel suit will doubtless have a tonic effect upon those papers whose laziness makes them prefer ill-natured gossip to sensible news publication, and we may expect a general bracing up all along the line.—British Columbia News.

BY WAY OF VARIETY.

Kind Sympathy.—The Fierce One—I do wish the Lord had made me a man. The Gentle One—Perhaps He has, Amelia, dear, but you haven't been able to find him yet. —Cincinnati Enquirer.

Her Youth.—Judge—Witness, you are 40 years of age? Female Witness—Yes, alas! One gets older every day. And yet I was young once (heaving a sigh). Ah, your lordship would hardly believe how young I was.—London Tit-Bits.

Why He Hesitated.—"I am thinking of tendering my resignation," remarked one official. "I envy you," was the reply. "I wish I dared." "Why? It's a free country." "Yes; but mine would as likely as not be accepted."—Washington Star.

Unlucky Thirteen.—"Thirteen is an unlucky number in all cases," said Jarley. "I don't know," said Butler. "I'd rather have $13 than $12." "I wouldn't," said Jarley. "If I had $12 I'd spend only $12; but if I had $13 I'd spend $13."—Harlem Life.

A Profitable Guess.—Stranger—I want a room as low down as you can spare. Clerk—Give you No. 976, top story. Besticandoforyousir. Stranger—I want to be low down, so as to be handy to the bar-room. Clerk—Front! Show the gentleman to parlor C.—New York Weekly.

A Heartless Parent.—Said Miss Susie Sillygirl to her mother at the breakfast table: "Mamma, you are getting meaner and meaner every day." "What have I done now?" "What have you done? Didn't I dream last night that you went to the matinee and didn't take me with you?" —New York World.

In the Far West.—Stranger—As I was going home late last night somebody fired a pistol at me and shot this hole through my hat. Judge—What the mischief have I got to do with that? This ain't a hat store. If a man shoots a hole through your head then come to me, and I'll see what can be done about it.—Boston Traveller.

Verifiers.—"Lemme see," asked the boarder who is always wanting to know things of no use, "what is it they call those red, green and blue lights that a skyrocket throws off?" "Verifiers," said the Cheerful Idiot. "Really?" asked the inquisitive boarder. "Yes. They give color to the report."—Indianapolis Journal.

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THIS evening Victoria Camp No. 52, W. O. W., install officers, and will transact other important business. The arrangements are all completed for the concert next Monday evening.

A MEETING of the electors of the North Ward will be held this evening at 8 p. m. in the Odd Fellows hall, Spring Ridge. Candidates for the North Ward and for school trustees are invited to be present.

The public schools opening on Monday will find us fully prepared to supply school books for young and old. Remember we are selling school books at the Eastern retail price. T. N. Hibben & Co. x

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MR. John McNab, Dominion inspector of fisheries for the province, left for the mainland by the Charmer this morning. He has been in the city obtaining statistics for his annual report, which he states will be much more complete and fuller than in former years.

ONE of the Victorians who went north on the Corona was T. F. Geiger, who goes to Lake Bennett for the purpose of putting up an hotel there to catch the trade of the passing gold seekers. A little syndicate of Victorians is behind the venture.

THE preliminary hearing of Somyer, the Indian accused of attempting to kill Francis Jones, the Hall's crossing storekeeper, opened on Wednesday before Justices of the Peace Musgrave and Wellburn at Duncan, Mr. H. Dallas Helmcken appearing for the defence. The hearing was remanded for eight days.

THE fire department made an early morning call at 14 Douglas street, where it was discovered that a shed in the rear had caught fire. The damage amounted to $50, and the most serious part of the affair was the cremation of a fine bull dog, which had been shut up in the shed. Carelessly spread ashes are supposed to be the cause of the trouble.

LAWRENCE MOONEY is happy again, for yesterday he was sentenced to a month in the provincial jail for vagrancy, and so he is well pleased to be back in his old quarters once more. Mooney will not turn a hand to make a living when he is at liberty, but as soon as he is in jail again he turns to work with all the zeal of a willing worker, and makes a model prisoner.

APART from routine business, there was not much done at the regular monthly meeting of the Victoria Home Nursing Society yesterday morning. Four cases were brought to the attention of the society during the past month wherein assistance was granted, and the committee for collecting subscriptions during the coming year are once more getting in line for active work.

THE Sunday school children of the Reformed Episcopal church will hold their annual Christmas treat on Saturday evening in the school room, commencing at 7:30. In addition to the usual distribution of presents there will be a stereopticon exhibition, and also something novel has been prepared in the way of a shadow pantomime. The admission for both parents and children not connected with the school is but 10 cents, so that no doubt there will be large numbers present.

IT promises to be quite a field day at the city police court this morning for besides the expected decision by the magistrate on the Coltart criminal libel case, the hearing of a similar charge against Mr. W. C. Nichol will be proceeded with. Besides this, Mr. Hewitt Bostock, M.P. for Yale-Cariboo, was yesterday served with a summons on the charge of having committed a criminal libel and he will probably put in his appearance this morning. The Nichol case promises to be somewhat lengthy and so no doubt Mr. Bostock's hearing will be remanded for a few days.

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AN UNBIASSED OPINION.

The American Consul Gives an Official Account of Facts Bearing on Yukon Trade.

Relative Value of Claims in United States Territory and the Canadian Northwest.

The United States consul at Victoria has made the following official report to his government on the "Klondyke Gold Fields:"

Victoria is directly on the route to the gold regions, and the news from the Northwest is generally taken from the steamers as they pass this port and telegraphed all over the country. As Victoria is naturally the gateway of the Northwest, the people of Victoria are aroused as never before, and determined to leave no effort undone to secure for this city its share of the travel already headed this way, prepared to start as soon as the ice is loosened on the Yukon. It is conceded that, last year, Seattle managed to grasp at least two-thirds of the outfitting trade, but this year Victoria merchants have spared no effort to win their share of the coming avalanche.

All the advices that reach here indicate that the rush in 1849 to California, and, later, to South Africa, will be eclipsed by the rush of gold-seekers headed for the Yukon in the early months of 1898. The crowd is coming not only from this continent, but from the Old World and the Antipodes. The steamship Warrimoo, two weeks ago, brought nearly a hundred from Australia to this port, on their way to the New Eldorado. Agents from England have been here and are now here making contracts for housing three or four thousand gold seekers, and every hotel in Victoria has contracts for all its rooms for portions of several months. When it is remembered that at least a portion of the great legion from the United States will pass through this port, it will be seen that this picturesque little city bids fair to have its hands full later on. One company has already secured seventy car loads of outfitting goods, and several other leading business men of Victoria, accustomed to doing things on a large scale, have made equally liberal preparations for the coming trade. The transportation companies have, by purchase or lease, secured ocean steamers sufficient to make daily lines between this port and St. Michael's, Dyea, Skagway, Fort Wrangel, etc.

Even beyond the sealing question, the people of British Columbia are interested in this trade, and it was in response to their demands that Hon. Clifford Sifton, the Canadian Minister of the Interior, recently made a trip to the Northwest. On his return, he addressed a meeting of the representative citizens of Victoria.

The desire is to get the Canadian government to open an all-Canadian route to the gold fields and to enact such tariff laws as will make it to the interest of miners to purchase their outfits in Canada. Mr. Sifton, naturally desirous of pleasing his audience, declared that the boundary line between Alaska and British Columbia, when rightly settled, would include some important posts now in possession of the United States, and gave an outline of the plans now in progress to get an all-Canadian route, via the Stickeen river, and the railway projects connected therewith, his remarks being received with loud applause by the audience. In the course of his remarks, Mr. Sifton intimated that the 100-pounds exemption, now allowed by the Canadian government to the miners, would be abrogated by the 1st of January, and that, probably, everything not bought in Canada would have to pay duty. But he declined to give any assurance that the tax on mining would be reduced, or the "alternate claim" exaction be alleviated.

Mr. Wm. Ogilvie, the Dominion surveyor and police commissioner, who accompanied Mr. Sifton, also delivered a lecture on the subject of the gold fields, which was largely attended, notwithstanding adverse weather. His views, however, have already been made public.

Having met several who have spent some time in the newly-discovered gold fields, perhaps it might be well to give a synopsis of the views given by two of the most prominent and intelligent men on Vancouver Island. A prominent citizen of Nanaimo, who spent some months on the ground, has given a most intelligent statement of the condition of the country. He says that the Klondyke mining country is covered with snow most of the year. During the months of July and August, however, it is quite hot, the thermometer showing 85° to 90°, and then men must wear protectors for the face and hands to keep off the mosquitoes. Last year, though so hot, the sun did not thaw the ground, which is protected by a thick moss under the snow, which neutralizes the sun's rays. This moss is now cut off with the shovel. The miner then builds a fire, thaws out the ground for two or three inches, and digs, and so on, by relays. Every foot of ground has to be thawed out in this way. The ground is frozen 35 feet, down to bed rock, and it is impossible to dig or work a pick therein.

A well know citizen of Victoria, who obtained $130,000, in addition to an interest in some fifteen rich claims, as a result of two years' labor in the Northwest region, says that, contrary to the general impression, the best time for mining is in the winter, as then the surface water does not inconvenience the miner. The large and paying mines are all worked in the win-

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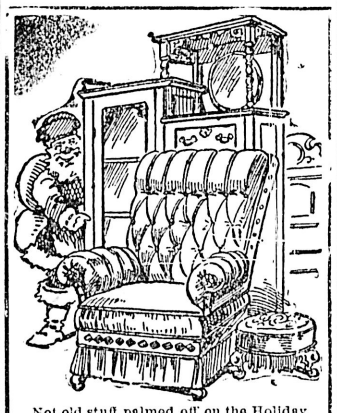

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THE steamer City of Seattle, from the North, called at the outer wharf at an early hour this morning on her way to the Sound.

AN interesting programme will be rendered at Temperance hall on Saturday night at the concert to assist in paying off the debt of Temperance hall.

AT the J.B.A.A. whist tournament last night Mr. S. McB. Smith won first prize with 10 games out of 11; the booby honors falling to Mr. Charles Work with 4 games out of 11.

THE funeral of the late Mrs. J. Egerton Curtis takes place to-marrow (Saturday) from the residence of Mr. W. T. Drake at 2 o'clock, and at Christ Church cathedral at 2:30 p.m.

MISS AGNES DAWSON, L.R.A.M., has returned from the mainland, where she has been spending the holidays. Miss Dawson has decided in addition to her private lessons to add that of class tuition.

OWING to the fact that there were several counter attractions in the city last evening the attendance at the Beacon Hill Athletic Club was not large, and it was decided to postpone the entertainment until a more favorable time.

THE chief attractions at the W.C.T.U. meeting at Mrs. Smith's residence on Hillside avenue yesterday afternoon were an address by Mrs. Chapman and papers read by Mrs. Gould and Mrs. Spofford. Plans for the coming month were discussed and it was decided to divide the city into districts for the purpose of canvassing it in favor of woman suffrage.

LAST night Deputy Grand Master A. Henderson, assisted by the Grand Lodge staff, installed the officers of Dominion lodge, No. 4, I.O.O.F. The new officers are: N.G., Alfred Meyer; V.G., R. A. Anderson; Sec., T. Bamford; T., P. A. Babington; W., F. J. Holland; I. G., W. Merrifield; R.S.N.G., F. Kermode; O.G., W. Huxtable; L.S.N.G., W. Walker; Con., L. Cousins; R.S.V.G., J. E. Phillips; L.S.V.G., E. Bragg.

BY last night's steamer Mr. Dennis Murphy returned to Victoria, having been summoned back by the sad news of his wife's death as he was on his way to Ashcroft. Mrs. Murphy, who had been ill for a long time, was becoming convalescent when she caught a severe cold, which resulted fatally. She was the youngest daught of Mrs. M. A. O'Brien of this city. The funeral takes place tomorrow at 9:45 a.m. from the residence, 146 View street, and at St. Andrew's cathedral fifteen minutes later.

THE members of the Orchestral Society and the orchestra of the Giorrga,s Mass are going to give an orchestral concert for the benefit of the patients of the Jubilee hospital on Saturday next at 3 p. m. In addition to the orchestral numbers, Miss Emma Sehl will sing Mr. F. Victor Austin's new "O Salutaris," and Miss Estelle Hibben, Sullivan's "Lost Chord," with full orchestral accompaniment. All members of both orchestras are requested to be on hand promptly at 2:45 p. m. on Saturday at the Jubilee hospital so that the programme can be commenced punctually at 3 p. m.

UNDER the new companies act the following extra-provincial companies have during the past few days been granted licenses to do business in British Columbia: Anglo British Columbia Packing Co., of London, head office for British Columbia, Vancouver; B. C. Exploring Syndicate, Ltd., head office for British Columbia, Vancouver; British Kootenay Exploring Syndicate, of London, head office for British Columbia at Nelson; Canada Drug & Book Co., of Regina, head office for British Columbia at Nelson; Carlisle Canning Co., of England, head office for British Columbia at Victoria; Confederation Life Association, of Toronto, head office for British Columbia at Vancouver: Crow's Nest Pass Co., Ltd., of Montreal, head office for British Columbia at Coal Creek, East Kootenay; Erl Syndicate, Ltd., of London, England, head office for British Columbia at Victoria; Gold Fields of B. C., of England, head office for British Columbia at Vancouver; Great West Life Assurance Co., of Winnipeg, head office for British Columbia at Victoria; International Navigation and Trading Co., Ltd., of Calgary, head office for British Columbia at Kaslo; Kootenay Ore Co., Ltd., of London, head office for British Columbia at Kaslo; London & Vancouver Finance and Development Co., of England, head office for British Columbia at Vancouver; Midway Co., Ltd., of Montreal, head office for British Columbia at Midway.

THERE are twelve extra-provincial companies who have registered their head offices in British Columbia during the past week as required by the companies act. These are the Bean Pot Gold Mining Company, of Spokane, provincial head office at Osoyoos; Beaver Gold Mining Company, of Spokane, provincial head office at Osoyoos; Briggs-Phillips Mining Company, of Spokane, head office in British Columbia at South Fork, Kaslo Creek; Delaware Mining and Milling Company, of Spokane, head office for British Columbia at Rossland; Elkhorn Silver Mining Company, Ltd., of Spokane, head office for British Columbia at Kaslo; King Solomon Consolidated Mining Company, of Spokane, head office for British Columbia at Ainsworth; Purcell Mining Corporation, Ltd., of Spokane, head office for British Columbia at Sandon; Rossland-Red Mountain Gold Mining Company, of Spokane, head office for British Columbia at Rossland; Silver King Gold Mining Company, of Spokane, head office for British Columbia at Boundary Falls; Slocan-Liberty Hill Mining Company, of Spokane, head office for British Columbia at South Fork, Kaslo Creek; St. Keverne Mining Company, of Spokane, head office for British Columbia at Sandon; Trust Mining Company, of Spokane, head office for British Columbia at South Fork, Kaslo Creek.

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AN UNBIASSED OPINION.

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ter and the wash up is in the spring and summer. However, in the hot weather gold can be dug out of the bars and banks on the various rivers and creeks by a poor man, to enable him to purchase a good claim in the fall. In the Canadian gold region the land is extremely flat, and the best way to work it, except the river bar claims, is to dig a hole six feet long by four feet wide, or thereabouts, and build a hot fire to thaw the ground, so as to be able to shovel it out. In the summer the sun has sufficient heat to thaw the sides of the hole, but there being no grade, the water runs down into the hole and extinguishes the fire, thus stopping the work. In the winter, of course, there is no such obstacle, the ground being thawed only by the miner's fire. The thawed dirt is removed by pick and shovel, piled by the side of the hole, and the thawing process repeated, When the hole becomes deep enough, a windlass is rigged and the dirt hauled up in buckets. At intervals of a few days, a pan of dirt is washed to ascertain its yield. No attempt is made during the winter to wash more than is necessary to test the yield of ore. This accounts for the big strikes reported last summer—they were the results of six months' previous hard work. My informant says that in Alaskan diggings, summer work is more profitable than in Canada, and he has worked in both, and knows this from personal experience. The pay dirt in Alaska is nearer the surface than in Canada, and, he says, in about the same amount. He regards Alaska as a more profitable place for miners than Canada, owing to the excessive royalty charged by the Dominion government, and which, it seems, there is no expectation of having repealed. The Klondyke stratum runs in the direction of Alaska, and he has interests in mines there which are paying as well as those in Canada. The miners in Alaska make their own laws. There is no tax upon them, and no questions of nationality are asked any more than in the Klondyke region. The temperature in winter goes to 70 degrees below zero, but the air is still and dry, and is really no harder to endure than 35 degrees below in Montana. This gentleman has since sold part of his claims in that gold region for $300,000, of which 10 per cent was paid cash down. He will return in the spring to deliver what he has sold and prospect for more.

There are five principal routes followed by miners in going to the different diggings, which are distanced from Victoria as follows: Fort Wrangel, 801 miles; Skagway, 1,024 miles; Dawson City, 1,594 miles; Teslin Lake, 1,079 miles; Fort Selkirk, 1,418 miles.

ABRAHAM E. SMITH, Consul.
Victoria, November 23, 1897.

ASSAULT-AT-ARMS.

Stirring Sports Amuse a Great Crowd of People at the Drill Hall.

There was fun, excitement and rare sport furnished the great audience who attended the assault-at-arms in the drill hall last night, the entertainment provided being of a stirring character that kept the interest alive from start to finish. The greatest attraction of the evening was of course the mounted sword contest between Mr. Ivan de Malchin and Segt.-Major Elliott, for as to the outcome of this event there has of late been a great deal of speculation. Mr. Clive Phillips-Woolley was referee and the result of the contest was in favor of Sergteant-Major Elliott by a score of 10 to 15. The exhibition was intensely exciting and was fought to a finish though early in the combat Mr. de Malchin realizing that his defeat was imminent wished to withdraw giving the battle to his adversary, offering instead to have a new contest on foot. His reason for this, he afterwards explained, was that in the third attack his horse got struck on the head, and thereafter became unmanageable, refusing to stand his ground, and on two or three occasions performing in such a manner as to dismount his rider. Mr. de Malchin says he is willing to give the Sergeant-Major five points dismounted, or to fight another mounted contest.

The splendid manner in which the bluejackets of H.M.S. Imperieuse went through the disabled ordinance drill and cutlass exercise made a tremendous hit, and round after round of applause was bestowed on the Jack tars.

The burlesque boxing bout between Sergt. Northcote, of the Fifth Regiment and Sergt. Clark, late of the Eleventh Hussars, provoked great amusement and was one of the best features of the whole entertainment. The single stick contest was a clever exhibition of an old time sport so frequently indulged in now a days. An interesting feature in the programme was a foil contest between Mr. John St. Clair and Mr. de Malchin. Great skill was exhibited by both contestants but the decision went to Mr. de Malchin by 7 points to 5. Throughout the whole programme the Fifth Regiment band took an important part, its music being greatly enjoyed.

THE KLONDYKE.

TO THE EDITOR:—I don't know whether you, and the Board of Trade, have had the advantage of perusing the advance report of the Hon. Col. Smith, U. S. Consul, on the Klondyke, and its bearing, and relation to the position, trade, and prospects of Victoria, if not you, and the Board should have it and peruse it. It is a manly, and straightforward state paper, grasps the situation clearly and fully, and is deserving of every commendation. The honorable gentleman might justly be supposed to lean towards a part of the country to which he belongs, but he does not do so, but writes as things appear to him without prejudice or bias.

I hope the Hon. Col. Smith understands fully that there is not and will not be any differential duty on goods imported by United States citizens. A British subject importing goods from Great Britain or the United States will pay the same duty as a United States citizen would. The royalty on gold is payable by the British subject as well as by a United States citizen. If both nations would treat each others citizens with equal even-handed justice it would be a grand accomplishment and no possible injury.

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and I found it impossible to bring negotiations now pending with several parties for the purchase of the business en bloc to a close by 31st December as I expected. They have been too busy with their own holiday trade and have only now time to correspond fully regarding the purchase, which, as you are aware, is one of some magnitude. Pending the completion of negotiations with one or other of the parties

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THE OPERA.

"Il Trovatore" Pleases a Large Audience at The Victoria.

The Grau Company, in the opinion of many, appeared to better advantage last night in "Il Trovatore" than in any of their preceding performances. The part of Manrico gave Mr. Martin Pache exceptional opportunities to show the capabilities of his fine tenor and his excellent acting, while Miss Fannie Meyers scored a success in the difficult part of the Gypsy. The scene in the gypsy camp with the duet between Manrico and the Gypsy was particularly good. Miss Mortimer made a pleasing Leonora and the other members of the cast gave excellent support. The dresses, too, were very handsome and the scene changes were made so promptly that the opera went along swimmingly from start to finish, the large audience showing their appreciation by frequent applause. Some hoodlums in the gallery would have been the better for a little repressing towards the end of the evening, but such conduct is happily a rarity in Victoria audiences.

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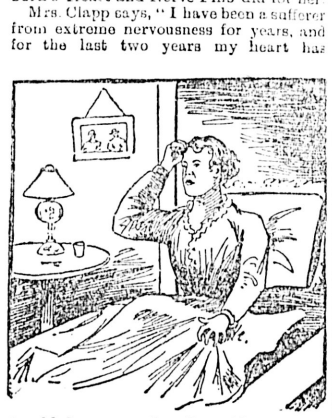

troubled me greatly. I could not sleep soundly, and would often awaken with a start, together with a curious feeling as if my heart had stopped beating, and it would be some time before I could recover myself. At times I became very dizzy, and a mist gathered before my eyes. I have taken many kinds of patent medicines, but could get nothing to relieve me. Finally I received a box of Milburn's Heart and Nerve Pills, and am glad to say that they gave me relief in a very short time. I now sleep well, my nerves are steady and strong, and I am better in every way than I have been for years.

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(Signed) MRS. STEPHEN P. CLAPP,
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Municipal Notice.

ELECTION OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES.

Public notice is hereby given to the Electors of the Municipality of the City of Victoria, that I require the presence of the said electors at the City Hall, in the aforesaid City, on Monday the 10th day of January, 1898, from 12 (noon) to 2 P. M. for the purpose of electing four persons as members of the Board of Trustees for Victoria City School District.

The mode of nomination of Candidates shall be as follows:

The candidates shall be nominated in writing, the writing shall be subscribed by two voters of the Municipality as proposer and seconder, and shall be delivered to the returning officer at any time between the date of the notice and 2 p.m, of the day of the nomination, and in the event of a poll being necessary, such poll will be opened on Thursday, the 13th day of January, 1898, in the Court room at the City Hall, from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., at which time and place each elector who is duly qualified to vote for Mayor will be entitled to cast his vote for four (4) candidates for members of the Board of School Trustees, but may only cast one vote for any such candidate of which every person is hereby required to take notice and govern himself accordingly.

Given under my hand at Victoria, British Columbia, the 30th day of December, 1897.

WM. W. NORTHCOTT,
d31 Returning Officer.

Municipal Notice.

MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS, 1898

Public notice is hereby given to the Electors of the Municipality of the City of Victoria, that I require the presence of the said Electors at the City Hall, in the aforesaid City, on Monday the 10th day of January, 1898, from 12 (noon) to 2 p m, for the purpose of electing persons to represent them in the Municipal Council as Mayor or Aldermen.

The mode of Nomination of Candidates shall be as follows:

The Candidates shall be Nominated in writing, the writing shall be subscribed by two voters of the Municipality as proposer and seconder, and shall be delivered to the returning Officer at any time between the date of the notice and 2 p.m. of the day of the Nomination, and in event of a poll being necessary such poll will be opened on Thursday, the 13th day of January, 1898, from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., in manner following:

For the office of Mayor, in the Court Room in the City Hall, aforesaid.

For the office of Alderman for the North Ward, at Room 11 of the Public Market Building, Cormorant street.

For the office of Alderman for the Central Ward, at the building known as No. 68, Vernon Block, Douglas street.

For the office of Alderman for the South Ward, at No. 27 Government street (East Side), of which every person is hereby required to take notice and govern himself accordingly.

The persons qualified to be nominated for and elected as the Mayor of the City of Victoria shall be such persons as are male British Subjects, of the full age of Twenty-one years, and are not disqualified under any law, and have been for the six months next preceding the nomination registered owner in the Land Registry Office of Land or Real Property in the City of Victoria, of the assessed value on the last Municipal Assessment Roll of One Thousand Dollars, or more, over and above any registered incumbrance or charge, and who are otherwise duly qualified as Municipal voters.

The Persons qualified to be nominated for and elected as Alderman of the City of Victoria, shall be such persons as are male British Subjects, of the full age of Twenty-one years, and not disqualified under any law, and have been for the six months next preceding the day of nomination the registered owner in the land Registry Office of Land or real property in the City of Victoria of the assessed value on the last Municipal Assessment Roll of Five Hundred Dollars or more, over and above any registered incumbrance or charge, and who are otherwise duly qualified as Municipal voters

Given under my hand at Victoria, British Columbia, the 30th day of December, 1897.

WM. W. NORTHCOTT.
Returning Officer.

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TIME TABLE NO. 32.
Takes effect January 4th, 1898

VANCOUVER ROUTE.

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For Moresby and Pender Islands—Friday at 7 o'clock.

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Steamer Tees leaves Victoria for Alberni and Sound Ports the 15th and 30th of each month.

ALASKA ROUTE.

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TIME TABLE No. 29,

To take effect at 7 a.m. on Thursday, Nov. 4, 1897. Trains run on Pacific Standard Time.

GOING NORTH—READ DOWN.

	Daily	Sat'day
	A.M.	P.M.
Lv. Victoria for Nanaimo and Wellington	9:00	3:00
Ar. Nanaimo	14:15	6:11
Ar. Wellington	12:40	6:30

GOING SOUTH—READ UP.

	Daily	Sat'day
	A.M.	P.M.
Ar. Victoria	12:07	7:00
Lv. Nanaimo for Victoria	8:51	3:48
Lv. Wellington for Victoria	8:30	3:30

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Licence authorising an Extra-Provincial Company to Carry on Business.

"COMPANIES ACT, 1897."

CANADA.
PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA,

No. 24-'97.

THIS IS TO CERTIFY that "The Klondyke Mining, Trading and Transport Corporation, Limited," is authorised and licensed to carry on business within the Province of British Columbia, and to carry out or effect all or any of the objects hereinafter set forth to which the Legislative authority of the Legislature of British Columbia extends.

The head office of the Company is situate at 23 Leadenhall Street, in the City of London, England.

The amount of the capital of the Company is £250,000, divided into 250,000 shares of £1 each.

The head office of the Company in this Province is situate at No. 30 Broad Street, Victoria, and Caldwell Ashworth, gentleman and free miner, of same address, is the attorney for the Company.

The objects for which the Company has been established are—

(*a*) To acquire in the Dominion of Canada and elsewhere by purchase, lease, concession, exchange or otherwise, mining property, claims, water rights, and also including lands, mines, mining rights and claims, minerals, ores, mills, stamps, smelting and other works for treating ores and minerals and rendering them marketable metals, including also all kinds of building, machinery and plant useful or supposed to be useful in mining, milling, treating or reducing ores or minerals, and any concessions, grants, decrees, claims, rights or privileges whatsoever which may seem to the Company capable of being turned to account, and to work, develop, carry out, exercise and turn to account the same, and to dispose of any such concessions, grants, decrees, claims, or privileges.

(*b*) To carry on all kinds of exploration business and, in particular in relation to mines and minerals, to seek for and secure openings for capital, and with a view to any of the objects aforesaid, to prospect, enquire, examine, explore and test, and to despatch and employ expeditions, commissions, experts or other agents. To establish and carry on general stores and to manufacture, import, export, purchase and sell articles for sale therein in Canada, Eng- and or elsewhere, and carry on any works in connection therewith, and to carry on business as traders, merchants, storekeepers, general dealers, brokers, hotel, restaurant, cafe, tavern, beerhouse and refreshment room keepers, licensed victuallers, wine and spirit merchants, proprietors of clubs, baths, places of amusement and shops, tobacco and cigar merchants, carriage builders, wheelwrights, horsedealers, newspaper proprietors, booksellers, printers, publishers, stationers, miners, farmers, stockmen, graziers, carriers, builders and contractors, brickmakers and any kindred trade or business which may be conveniently carried on in connection therewith, and all kinds of agency business and any other kind of business which seems calculated directly or indirectly to further the working and development of any concession, rights or property of the Company or otherwise benefit the Company.

(*c*) To carry on all kinds of promotion business and in particular to form, constitute, float, lend money to, assist and control any companies, partnerships, associations, or undertakings whatsover.

(*d*) To acquire by purchase, lease, license, or otherwise, absolutely or conditionally, the rights, either generally or exclusively, over any area or areas of or in all or any patent rights or processes or mechanical or other contrivances useful or supposed to be useful for any of the purposes of the Company, and to deal with or dispose of the same or any interest therein respectively.

(*e*) To lay out towns, and villages, on the lands acquired or controlled by the Company, and to construct, maintain, alter, make and work railways, tramways, telegraph lines, canals, reservoirs, wells, aqueducts, roads, streets, hotels, boarding houses, dwelling houses, factories, shops, stores, gas and water works, piers, wharves, buildings, machinery and other works and appliances of every nature and description, which may be expedient or useful or deemed to be expedient or useful for the purposes of the Company, and to contribute to the cost of making, providing, and carrying on, and working the same.

(*f*) To carry on any business, the carrying on of which the Company may think directly or indirectly conducive to the development of any property in which it is interested.

(*g*) To sell, improve, manage, develop, lease, mortgage, dispose of, or otherwise deal with, all or any part of the property of the Company.

(*h*) To prospect, explore, and develop the resources of the said lands and hereditaments by building, planting, clearing, mining, and otherwise dealing with the same, and to stock the same or other lands, to cut and to sell timber, and generally to mine and carry on all sorts of mining operations in the Dominion of Canada, or any other part of the globe.

(*i*) To purchase, lease, or otherwise acquire, settle, improve, colonize, farm, and cultivate lands and hereditaments in the Dominion of Canada and elsewhere.

(*j*) To stock the same or other lands, and to breed and deal in all kinds of stock, cattle, sheep and produce.

(*k*) To work and carry on all or any mines, works and properties from time to time in possession of the said Company in such manner as the directors for the time being may determine; to erect all necessary mills and machinery, and appliances, smelting works, laboratories, workshops, dwelling houses and other buildings; construct, maintain, and alter canals, railways, watercourses, tramways, telegraph lines, or any other lines or system of communication whether by telegram, telephone, phonograph, phonophone, or otherwise, by electricity or by pneumatic force or otherwise, reservoirs, wells, aqueducts, gas and water works, drainage works, irrigation works, wharves, piers, and other works of every nature and description, purchase, rent, hire, or charter wagons, steam or sailing ships, to enter into and carry out such contracts and arrangements as may be deemed necessary and desirable to enable the Company to carry on its business and for the general conduct and management of its affairs and the doing of all such other things as may be found incidental or conducive to the attainment of the above objects, whether in the Dominion of Canada, Great Britain or elsewhere.

(*l*) To buy, sell, manufacture and deal in all kinds of goods, stores, implements, provisions, chattels and effects capable of being used or required by the Company or its workmen, or by any other persons who may settle on the property of the Company, or by others, and for that purpose to carry on the business of a general shopkeeper or merchant.

(*m*) To purchase, build, charter, equip, load (either on commission or otherwise), sell, repair, let out to hire and trade with steam or other ships, boats and vessels of all kinds. To carry on the business of carriers by land and water.

(*n*) To acquire by grant, purchase or otherwise, concessions of any property or privileges from any government, British, Colonial or foreign, and to perform and fulfil the terms and conditions.

(*o*) To obtain any act of Parliament or law or order of any Colonial or foreign legislature or government for enabling the Company to carry any of its objects into effect.

(*p*) To promote, form and register other Companies, in England or in any Colony, dependency, foreign country, state or territory, for the purpose of acquiring all or any of the property and liabilities of this Company, or for all or any of the objects mentioned in this Memorandum, or for advancing directly or indirectly the objects or interests thereof, and to take or otherwise acquire and to underwrite and hold shares, debentures or other securties in or of any such company, and to guarantee the payment of any debentures or other securities issued by any such company.

(*q*) To take or otherwise acquire and hold shares, debentures, bonds, or other securities of or in any other company having objects altogether or in part similar to those of this Company, or carrying on any business capable of being conducted so as directly or indirectly to benefit this Company.

(*r*) To enter into partnership or into any arrangement for sharing profits, union of interests, or co-operation with any person or company carrying on or about to carry on any business or transaction capable of being conducted so as directly or indirectly to benefit this Company, and to take or otherwise acquire and hold shares or stock in any such Company. To aid in the establishment and support of associations for the benefit of persons employed by or having dealings with the Company, and in particular friendly societies.

(*s*) To carry on all kinds of financial or banking business, and in particular to negotiate loans and advances, to offer for subscription, place, buy, deal in, make merchantable, sell and dispose of ores, minerals, goods, bullion, specie, and valuables of all kinds, and merchandise generally in the Dominion of Canada, Great Britain, or elsewhere, and to receive money on deposit, and to collect revenue of all kinds.

(*t*) To sell the undertaking of the Company or any part thereof for such consideration as the Company may think fit, and in particular for shares, debentures, or securities of any other company having objects altogether or in part similar to those of this Company. To distribute any of the property of the Company among the members in specie, but so that no distribution amounting to a reduction of capital be made without the sanction of the Court, where necessary. To amalgamate with any other company having objects altogether or in part similar to those of this Company. To purchase or otherwise acquire and undertake all or any part of the business, property and liabilities of any person or company carrying on any business which this Company is authorized to carry on, or possessed of property suitable for the purposes of this Company.

(*u*) To make, accept, endorse and execute, promissory notes, bills of exchange and other negotiable instruments. To lend money, and in particular to persons having dealing with the Company. To raise money in such manner as the Company shall think fit, and in particular by the issue of debentures charged upon all or any of the Company's property (both present and future) including its uncalled capital or any specified portion thereof. To guarantee the performance of contracts by members of, or persons having dealings with the Company.

(*v*) To acquire patent rights and privileges in the United Kingdom or any other country or colony or state for any purposes deemed to be useful for the Company, and to resell the same or turn the same to account by manufacturing thereunder, granting licenses or otherwise.

(*w*) To lend money to any company, partnership, person, or association upon security of their or his undertaking, property, estate, assets, and effects, or any part thereof, upon such terms as may be deemed expedient, and to take such security either in the shape of mortgages, mortgage debentures, or in any other form, or to lend money in Canada or Great Britain or elsewhere with or without security. To make donations to such persons and in such cases as may seem expedient, and to subscribe for any purposes, whether charitable or benevolent, or for any public, general, or useful object.

(*x*) To pay the costs, charges, and expenses of, or in connection with the formation and incorporation of the Company, and to remunerate any person or persons for services rendered or to be rendered to the Company, either in cash or in shares of the Company, either wholly or partly paid up.

(*y*) To establish and maintain agencies of this Company in any colony or foreign state, and to procure the Company to be registered or incorporated in any colony or foreign state.

(*z*) To do all such things as are incidental or conducive to the attainment of the above objects, either alone or in partnership or in conjunction with any person or other association, and either as principals or agents, and including a power to pay brokerage or commission for services rendered in obtaining or guaranteeing or underwriting capital for the Company or otherwise.

Given under my hand and seal of office at Victoria, Province of British Columbia, this eleventh day of December, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven.

[L.S.] S. Y. WOOTTON,
de14 Registrar of Joint Stock Companies.

No. 11-'97.

Certificate of the Registration of an Extra-Provincial Company.

"COMPANIES ACT, 1897."

"Star Exploring and Mining Company."

Registered the 13th day of December, 1897.

I HEREBY CERTIFY that I have this day registered the "Star Exploring and Mining Company" as an Extra-Provincial Company under the "Companies Act, 1897."

The head office of the Company is situated in the City of Terre Haute, State of Indiana, U.S.A.

The amount of the capital of the Company is $50,000, divided into shares of the par value of $1 each.

The head office of the Company in this Province is situate in Victoria, and E. E. Wootton, Barrister and Solicitor, whose address is the same, is the attorney for the Company.

The time of the existence of the Company is fifty years.

The objects for which the Company has been established and registered are: Mining, leasing, buying or selling mineral lands or mining properties, buying or selling mineral ores or mining materials, and the working and operating of mines and the reducing or smelting of ores, and the doing of all that may be necessary to carry on a mining business.

Given under my hand and seal of office at Victoria, Province of British Columbia, this thirteenth day of December 1897.

[L.S.] S. Y. WOOTTON,
Registrar of Joint Stock Companies.

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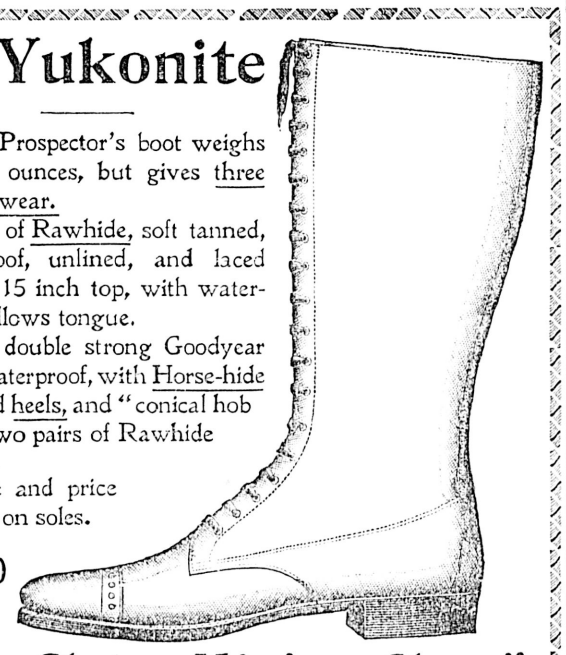

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PERSONAL.

Geo. C. Hinton returned last night from a visit to Vancouver.

W. Pollak is here from San Francisco and staying at the Victoria.

D. Cartmel returned yesterday morning from a trip to the Sound.

Rev. D. McLaren, of Vancouver, arrived last night by the Charmer.

W. E. Hodges, of London, England, is making his home at the Victoria.

J. D. Malcolm and T. W. Churchouse, Portland, and W. E. Alison, Colorado, are guests at the New England.

Although a very busy man, Dr. R. V. Pierce, of Buffalo, N.Y., has found time in which to write a great book of over a thousand pages entitled, The People's Common Sense Medical Adviser, in Plain English, or Medicine Simplified. Few books printed in the English language have reached so great a sale as has this popular work, over 680,000 copies having been sold at $1.50 each. The profits on this enormous sale having repaid its author for the great amount of labor and money expended on its production he has now decided to give away, absolutely free, 500,000 copies of this valuable book, the recipient only being required to mail to the World's Dispensary Medical Association, of Buffalo, N. Y., of which company he is president, thirty-one (31) one-cent stamps, to cover cost of mailing only, and the book will be sent postpaid. It is a veritable medical library, complete in one volume. It contains 1,008 large pages, and over 300 illustrations, some of them in colors. The Free Edition is precisely the same as that sold at $1.50, except only that the books are bound in strong manilla paper covers, instead of cloth. It is not often that our readers have an opportunity to obtain a valuable book on such generous terms, and we predict that few will miss availing themselves of the unusual and liberal offer to which we have called their attention.

OVER THREE MILLION CASES.

Total Salmon Pack of the Pacific Coast Last Year—Some Interesting Figures.

The total pack of salmon of the Pacific coast for 1897, according to a circular issued by Messrs. Taylor, Young & Co., salmon brokers of Portland, Oregon, was 3,097,633 cases. On the Columbia river last fall 63,650 cases were packed, Messrs. J. W. & O. Cook with 29,000 cases, and Senfert Bros. with 13,000 cases heading the list. J. O. Hunthorn & Co. packed 12,800 cases, the Fishermen's co-Operative Co. 1,500 cases, and F. C. Barnes 1,750 cases during the fall. In the Puget Sound division the Alaska Packers Association headed the list with 147,000 cases packed in the spring. The Fidalgo Island Packing Co. figures next with a total of 64,000 cases. The following summary of the total pack of salmon of the Pacific coast will prove interesting:

			Cases.
Columbia River	Spring	454,550	
Columbia River	Fall	63,650	
			518,200
Sacramento	Spring	19,000	
Sacramento	Fall	22,000	
			41,000
Rogue River	Spring	15,355	
Rogue River	Fall	3,653	
			19,008
Coast, Rivers and Bays			48,625
Willapa and Gray's Harbors			37,500
Puget Sound	Spring	370,900	
Puget Sound	Fall	120,200	
			491,100
British Columbia			1,034,800
Alaska			907,400
Total cases			3,097,633

DIGGING DEEP DOWN.

Wait till you get hungry; then you can eat." We hear that said every day. The idea is old human ignorance and folly. And almost everybody believes in it. Probably you do. And more than half the time it's true. Yet the exceptions are so numerous as to make us ask questions. Is it possible to be hungry, and still practically to have no appetite?

In a letter Mrs. Mary Hopkinson says, "I often had a craving for food, yet when it was placed before me I couldn't eat a mouthful."

This seems strange. It seems as though Nature were contradicting herself. Well, Nature does contradict herself *on the surface*, but not deep down. Let us then dig deeper down.

"In the spring of 1892," continues Mrs. Hopkinson, "I fell into a low, weakly state of health. I couldn't imagine what had come over me. I couldn't tell what I had done to bring on this kind of illness. I felt weak, weary, and tired. My elasticity and ambition were gone. I had a foul taste in the mouth, and a sensation of sinking and failure at the pit of the stomach. I often had a craving for food, and yet when it was placed before me I couldn't eat a mouthful.

"More and more my strength fell away until I could hardly drag myself about. Often I was obliged to lie down several times a day, being completely exhausted. For a whole year I was in this condition. None of the various medicines I used did me any good. Finally, my mother recommended Mother Seigel's Syrup. Knowing of nothing better I tried it, obtaining the medicine from Mr. Drury, Southwell. After taking one bottle I was better, and when I had used the second I could eat and digest anything I desired. All the bad symptoms passed away, and I was once more able to do my work and get comfort and pleasure out of my life. You are at liberty to make my statement public. [signed] Mary Hopkinson, Carleton-le-Moreland, near Newark, April 19th, 1895."

Before we decided on what really ailed the writer of the foregoing letter we will quote a sentence or two from Mr. Thomas Walton. "I could eat," he says, "*but my meat never did me any good.*" I suffered a good deal from headache, and was often so dizzy I could hardly stand at my work. I was never easy, and rolled about the bed all night long and heard the clock strike every hour. My skin and the whites of my eyes turned yellow. I was tired, heavy, dull, and listless, and got weaker and weaker all the time. Medicines did me no good, and I often told my wife I should never be any better. My trouble began in March, 1891, and continued a year. After everything proved useless I was finally cured by Mother Seigel's Syrup. I first learned of this remedy through a little book which was left at our house—a fortunate thing for me. After I had used one bottle of the Syrup I was better; and soon I could eat, digest my food, sleep, and work. [Signed] Thomas Walton, 22, Frederick Street, Littleborough, near Rochdale, July 9th, 1894."

Now let us make a discrimination which I hope you will remember. Hunger is the demand of *the whole body* for food; appetite is Nature's announcement that she is ready to receive and digest it. Do you tell me this distinction is fanciful—that it doesn't really exhist? I tell you it does. Don't be in a hurry to debate the point. Think it over. Ask people who [like the writers of the above letters] suffer the mysterious pains and experiences of indigestion and dyspepsia. They will assure you that one may hunger from head to heel, yet starve because the stomach refuses to do its work. It is the hunger of the deaf for sound, of the blind for light.

We could praise Mother Seigel's Syrup in this connection, but why need we? The people do that.

BOSTOCK VS. JACKSON.

Litigation Over a Real Estate Transaction Terminated by an Amicable Arrangement.

The following is the official report of the proceedings in the case of H. Bostock vs. R. E. Jackson in the Supreme court before Chief Justice Davie on Wednesday last. E. V. Bodwell and A. Martin appeared for Mr. Bostock and Hon. C. E. Pooley, Q.C., and E. P. Davis, Q.C., for Mr. Jackson:

Mr. Bodwell—I am very happy to be able to state to your lordship that we will not need to trouble you with an actual hearing of this case, as an arrangement has been arrived at between the parties which is perfectly satisfactory and which will avoid the necessity of the taking of any evidence or the giving of any judgment by your lordship in the matter.

If your lordship looks at the record, you will observe that the action is founded entirely upon the theory that the sale was invalid by reason of the relationship of solicitor and client existing between Mr. Bostock and Mr. Jackson at the time, and that it contains no charges of actual fraud or misrepresentation. It is a very gratifying fact to us that the action has been so framed, for within the last few days the parties have met together, mutual explanations have taken place, and Mr. Bostock is now perfectly satisfied that Mr. Jackson at the time of this transaction did not consider that there were any relations existing between him and Mr. Bostock which would prevent Mr. Jackson dealing with him as one business man with another.

On the other hand, it is perfectly true that Mr. Bostock did not so view the transaction. And inasmuch as it was entered into by him under an actual misapprehension of the condition of affairs, Mr. Jackson in consideration of that has made concessions which are very satisfactory to Mr. Bostock.

I say that I am gratified to be able to tell your Lordship that the statement of claim contains no charges of that kind. But I also state to your Lordship that before these explanations took place, before the action commenced, and before the exact state of Mr. Jackson's view of the case was made known to Mr. Bostock, some correspondence took place between them which Mr. Jackson has understood as conveying the charge of misrepresentation and unfair dealing with Mr. Bostock. It is a matter of regret to Mr. Bostock that he did not then have the knowledge which he now possesses, and had not had the advantage of Mr. Jackson's explanations, and that he should have made use of any expressions which could be so understood.

He wishes me to say he is satisfied that on Mr. Jackson's part there was no attempt whatever to obtain any undue advantage of himself in consequence of the relations that existed between himself and Mr. Jackson, and he is happy that we can close this case on the amicable arrangement which has been arrived at.

The terms of the settlement, my Lord, will be given to the stenographer, for the purpose of a record merely, as this is a settlement in court.

Mr. Pooley—On behalf of the defendant, my Lord, we can say that we are very much pleased that arrangements have been made as they have been. When overtures for settlement were first made, the defendant had been very much hurt by statements contained in the letter of Mr. Bostock, of the 23rd of April, 1894, which implied a misrepresentation of facts by him. The defendant declined to enter into any arrangement until the matter of misrepresentation was withdrawn. That having been withdrawn, it then became merely a matter of business terms, which I am glad to say have been amicably settled. And our client is now well satisfied that the matter should be settled, as he considers that his honor has been satisfied by the withdrawal, by the plaintiff, of all charges of misrepresentation on his part.

Mr. Bodwell—Of course we did not consider we were making charges of that kind; and that was merely Mr. Jackson's understanding of our letter, which we are happy to say was not our idea.

The Court—I shall confirm whatever settlement is agreed to. You agree to a settlement; I do not want to know what the terms are. I confirm the settlement.

Mr. Davis—The action is wound up in this way—by a settlement which is confirmed.

Mr. Bodwell—An order that the settlement be confirmed.

The Court so ordered. The Court here rose.

I hereby certify the foregoing to be a true and accurate report of said proceedings.

JUSTIN GILBERT,
Official Stenographer.

Yellow Skin and Eyes.

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The tortoise and the Hare—"You remember the story of the tortoise and the hare, and who won the race?" "Of course, but I see nothing strange in the finish. The soup always does precede the entrees, doesn't it?"

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GENTLEMEN,—My brother was troubled with a very bad hacking cough, but after using three bottles of Norway Pine Syrup he was completely cured. I cannot recommend it too highly.

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THE THERMOMETER.

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Report for 24 hours ending 9 p.m.

1 a.m..	40°	Mean 40°	The velocity and direction of the wind were as follows:
5 a.m..	38°		5 a.m.—8 N.
9 a.m..	38°	Highest 45°	1 p.m.—Calm.
1 p.m..	44°		9 p.m.—4 N.
5 p.m..	41°	Lowest 36°	Rain—.10
9 p.m..	36°		Cloudy.
			Sun 3 hrs. 30 mts.

Barometer 9 m.... Observed..... 29.939 Reduced..... 29.911

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DIED.

MURPHY—At the family residence, 145 View St. of pneumonia, Flora beloved wife of Dennis Murphy, youngest daughter of Mrs. M. A. O'Brien, aged 26 years.

The funeral will take place on Saturday, at 9.45 o'clock, from the residence and Roman Catholic Cathedral, at 10 o'clock. Friends will please accept this intimation.

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IT IS NOT PROFITABLE.

General Feeling Among the Sealers That the Season on Japan Coast Does Not Pay.

Paper Arrives for Australia—Work to Begin Monday on Northern River Boats.

The schooner Director, Capt. F. W. Gilbert, which cleared on her annual cruise a few days ago, will be the first sealer to sail for the Japan coast grounds this year. She hauled out into the stream yesterday evening, and to-day Capt. Gilbert intends to take his departure. In crossing the Pacific he will take a Southern latitude and will call at one of the Hawaiian ports for water. From present indications it would appear as if the Director is to be the only Victoria sealer that is to hunt on the Japan Coast this year. Twelve months ago ten of the fleet had sailed ere this time—all bound for the Asiatic side. Comparatively good catches were obtained, but despite this fact sealers, generally speaking, have found the Japan Coast expedition a non-profitable one. In the first place none but fine able vessels can cross the Pacific, in the second place the trip generally entails considerable expenditure in the way of repairs after the vessel reaches the far side of the ocean; and thirdly, only a white crew can be taken on the voyage. With these there is always more or less trouble when the vessel enters a Japanese port. With the owners of most sealing crafts the belief is entertained that the best money to be made in the sealing business is in the operation of the fleet on this coast and in the Behring sea with Indian crews. Of the following sealers which have sailed the schooners Geneva, Libbie, Dora, Mary Ellen, Mary Taylor, Teresa, Penelope, Beatrice Ainoka, Arietas, City of San Diego, Ada, Allie J. Alger, C. D. Rand, and Saucy Lass, only the Geneva, Mary Taylor and Libbie have carried white crews. There was only a fleet of thirty odd vessels out last year whereas this season it is expected forty at least will be going to sea.

MARINE NOTES.

Yesterday's C. P. R. bulletin announced the arrival of the White Star liner Teutonic at New York from Liverpool.

The C.P.N. Co. are advertising the steamer Tees to sail for the North on the 11th inst., and the Danube four days later.

The steamer Corona did not arrive until four yesterday morning. She remained an hour in port before proceeding North.

Over on the Star ways a start has been made towards the building of the three river steamers for the Maitland-Kersey Co. A small office has been erected in the yard, and other preparations have been made for the beginning of construction work on Monday. The moulds, models and plans for the three steamers have been prepared in Pittsburg, and are now daily expected to arrive.

As announced in yesterday's COLONIST the steamer Ocean Wave came in on the City of Kingston's run yesterday morning, bringing 100 tons of paper for transhipment to Australia on the steamship Miowera, sailing on the 10th. The Ocean Wave will run regularly between Victoria and Seattle, and on Saturdays will extend her southern trip to Tacoma.

W. S. Hardaker, auctioneer, has been instructed by Collector A. R. Milne to sell at his salerooms, Douglas street, on the 13th inst., the wrecked American schooner Vesta as she now lies on the beach, about nine miles west of Carmanah lighthouse. Together with the schooner will be sold two anchors and chains, new and old sails, new hawser, rigging, etc. Two sextants and a ship's compass will also be knocked down to the highest bidder at the same auction.

The Pacific Mail steamship Aztec, Capt. Zeeder, which arrived on New Year's day, passed out to sea on Wednesday night with 5,500 tons of coal. After this trip the steamer goes south for a load of coffee for San Francisco. The coffee is collected along the Panama coast and taken to the principal ports of the country by small freighters, where such ships as the Aztec call and load. Another of the Pacific Mail fleet, the steamship San Jose, Capt. Pillsburgh, was being looked for from the South by the pilots last evening. She is coming North for coal.

ENTERED.

Str. Charmer..... from Vancouver.
" Ocean Wave..... " Port Townsend.
" Sadie..... " Vancouver.
" Princess Louise.. " N.Westminster.
" Evangel..... " Port Angeles.
" Sloop Violet..... " N.Westminster.

CLEARED.

Str. Charmer..... for Vancouver.
" Ocean Wave..... " Port Townsend.
" Princess Louise.. " N.Westminster.
" Evangel..... " Port Angeles.

Fell from a Train.

BELLEVILLE, Jan. 26.—(Special)—James Corbet, night agent of the Bell Telephone Co., fell from a Grand Trunk train near here last night and was cut to pieces. He was aged 30 and unmarried.

Fish Preservation.

ALBANY, N.Y., Jan. 6.—The state fisheries and forest commission has denied a request made by Mr. G. E. Clark, president of the Lake Ontario Fish Company, that it suggest to the state legislature an amendment to the fish and game code of the state to permit the sale of pike and pickerel in this state during the close season for fish of these species, provided they were caught in waters outside the jurisdiction of the state.

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Why Mr. Bunker and His Associates Look Upon Victoria as Miners' Headquarters.

"A large number of prospective gold hunters from various parts of the United States will do their outfitting in Victoria."

The above opinion was emphatically expressed by Mr. G. C. Bunker, of North Columbus, Mass., yesterday, he being one of a party of six Americans who left for the Northern gold fields by the Corona yesterday morning.

Mr. Bunker's party is composed of the following: R. Eltz, formerly of the geological survey of Georgia, and later of Boston, Mass.; James Kingsley, late light-keeper at Mennot's Light, Boston harbor; W. B. Hunt, an expert miner and ex-alderman of Augusta, Maine; and G. Zipperman, a marine engineer, of Boston.

The party did all their outfitting at R. P. Rithet & Co.'s here, claiming that they could purchase here more advantageously than in Seattle or Tacoma.

"I was appointed by the party," said Mr. Bunker, "to go on ahead and see where we could get the best terms for an outfit. I first visited Victoria, looked into the prices here, and then went to Seattle. In fact I twice visited the latter place for the purpose of procuring an outfit.

"A careful comparison of prices convinced me that I could do best in Victoria and we are therefore getting everything we require here. Prices generally are higher in Seattle, and in addition one has to consider the duties when buying there. We are taking in a year's outfit for each man."

Mr. Bunker's party will go in by the Stickeen river route. At Teslin lake they will hire Indians and when Hootalinqua river is reached they will camp and thoroughly prospect the country which they believe will prove as rich as the Klondyke. In case they are unsuccessful they will go farther North. Many Americans from the Eastern states, Mr. Bunker says, will take this route.

One part of the outfit is a device for prospecting on the principle of an auger, which it is claimed will bore a hole three inches in diameter three inches an hour in ground which a pick cannot make any impression upon.

Two miners from Johannesburg, South Africa, Mr. Vallentine Wilson and Mr. R. L. Crampton, who are going to the Klondyke by way of Dyea, also gave orders for a large outfit here yesterday.

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